

RICKSHAW
BRAND
CEYLON TEA
SOLD BY ALL COMPRADORES

The **China Mail**

Est. 1845 THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED NEWSPAPER IN THE FAR EAST Est. 1845

No. 29,323 HONG KONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1936 PRICE \$3.00 per Month

"Carrier"
WEATHERMAKER

For every Air-Conditioning Problem.

ANDERSEN, MEYER & COMPANY, LIMITED
Tel. 28091 Sole Agents Tel. 28091
David House, 2nd Floor

STERN RESISTANCE BY ABYSSINIAN TROOPS SOUTH OF DESSIE



The news of the rescue of the men entombed in the Moose River gold mine after several days' anxious efforts was conveyed to a meeting of the Liberal Party in Ottawa by Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, above.

TWO SHOPS LOST IN FIRE

Fireman Seriously Injured

TRANSFORMER EXPLODES

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.
Fire destroyed two shops at Tak Shing Road, Western Suburb, last night, and a fireman was seriously injured by the explosion of an electric transformer near the burning buildings.

The Yuen Tai Jewellery Store at No. 74 first caught fire at 6.30 p.m. and the flames soon spread to the next house, a shop selling toilet goods. The cause of the fire is not yet known.

Fire engines arrived shortly afterwards. A transformer attached to a pole on the pavement also caught fire and exploded with a loud report. Fireman Chao Chih was badly burnt by the explosion.

The explosion blew out all the electric lights in Western Suburb, west of Fung Ning Road, for almost two hours. Motion picture theatres in that suburb had to suspend the first evening performance.

The Grand Theatre was giving a matinee performance from 5.15 p.m. Curiously enough the film was about a mysterious fire, but just before the climax was reached the electric supply was cut off. The show was given for the benefit of Shamen office workers.

AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE

THREE-YEAR PLAN IN OPERATION

Canberra, To-day.
Australia's Imperial Council of Defence is calling a meeting immediately to discuss the second part of the three-year plan for defence. The first part of the three-year plan will be completed in June at a cost of £20,000,000. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

PRINCESS ROYAL PROGRESSING FAVOURABLY

London, To-day. — A bulletin issued yesterday states that the Princess Royal and her son are progressing favourably in their attack of measles. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LORD WILLINGTON AT ADEN

Aden, To-day. — Lord Willington, the retiring Viceroy of India, arrived here yesterday morning en route to England, but did not go ashore. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CANADIAN MINE TRAGEDY

RESCUERS REACH TWO ENTOMBED MEN

PREMIER ANNOUNCES NEWS AMID CHEERS

Moose River, To-day.

Despite the earlier reports that the entombed men were actually rescued two days ago, it eventuates that they were only sighted and directly communicated with when a further fall of rock blocked up the opening, again cutting off the rescuers from the victims.

However, the rescuers are now again close to the entombed men, whose voices can be heard through the debris, and it is hoped that they will finally be rescued and brought to the surface within a couple of hours. Meanwhile frantic excitement is being witnessed at the minehead, where the wives of the entombed men are among the crowd.

Later: The rescuers have broken through to a clear shaft leading to the entombed men. It is expected that Messrs. Robertson and Scadding will be carried to the surface after receiving medical attention, as they are reported to be in great pain.

ECONOMICS IN CHINA

Great Possibilities For Development

COMMENT IN "THE TIMES"

London, To-day.

Commenting on an interview with Sir Frederick Leith-Ross on China's finances the City Editor of *The Times* says that if his expectation that China will manage the new currency system is successfully realised China will have taken a great step forward towards enlarging her economic activities and improving her standard of living. Capital for development, if Chinese finances were better managed, would have been freely provided. No greater service to the cause of peace and the growth of economic well-being in the East could be rendered than by an agreement for the economic reconstruction and advancement of China.

The Times adds that there is much of an encouraging nature in the picture of events in China drawn by Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell at the general meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. — Reuter.

NEW RAILWAY IN HOPEI

To Be Built At Cost Of \$16,000,000

Peiping, To-day.

Chinese reports state that the Hopei Council has completed the arrangements for the construction of a railway from Tsangchow, south of Tientsin, across ss. Hopei to Shihchiawang. The length of the railway will be 170 miles and the cost \$16,000,000. How the money is being raised is not stated. — Reuter.

NOVICE JOCKEY THROWN

Mr. K. I. Ip, the Novice jockey, met with an unfortunate accident during training this morning, from which he happily did not sustain any injury beyond a bad shaking up. He took out Don for a quarter mile sprint, but when near the six-furlong post he was thrown heavily, landing on his back.

TAXIDRIVERS' STRIKE

Protest In Paris

Paris, To-day.

All taxicabs plying in the city, except a few private ones, struck at 6 a.m. yesterday as a protest against the increase in the licensing fees by the authorities. A deputation of the drivers' union was meeting an official of the Ministry of Industry yesterday to discuss the situation. The strike was expected to end at 6 a.m. to-day. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone which developed over China yesterday has moved eastward into the Yellow Sea, and the depression has moved to the east of Hokkaido. An irregular and shallow depression covers south-west China and Tongking. The typhoon has probably recurred north-eastwards, or is filling up to the east of Luzon. South-east winds, moderate; cloudy generally, probably some rain, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

Eden To Visit Berlin?

Paris, To-day. — The report that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will shortly visit Berlin was registered by several papers here yesterday. While some assert that the rumour emanates from German sources, others claim authority for stating that the British Foreign Office has come to the conclusion that the best way of obtaining the desired elucidation of the German peace programme would be for Mr. Eden to proceed to Berlin to gain first-hand information. The French Ambassador in Berlin, M. Francois-Poncet, arrived here yesterday for what is stated to be a private visit. Immediately after his arrival the Ambassador called on the Foreign Minister, M. Poincaré, with whom he conferred for some time. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Confidence Gradually Restored In Capital



Three of the All-China Olympic footballers who sailed for Shanghai yesterday, by the s.s. Hoi Chen are here seen, as the vessel pulled away from the wharf. Right to left are S. D. Liang, Tao Kwai-shing and Tio Hian Guan. ("China Mail" photo).

LOST GERMAN MINISTER STILL MISSING

THOROUGH SEARCH OVER WIDE AREA CONTINUES

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Cairo, To-day.

The missing German Minister, Baron von Stohrer, has not yet been discovered, despite an indefatigable search yesterday by 60 aeroplanes and 60 motor-lorries supplied by the Egyptian frontier authorities, 30 private motor-cars and 100 camel riders, over a wide expanse of the desert, extending to a radius of upwards of 160 miles from Schehelamid, where the Minister is reported to have last been seen.

LEE WAI TONG TAKES PLANE TO SHANGHAI

Last Sunday's Teams Likely To Remain Unchanged

Lee Wai-tong, the probable captain of the All-China Olympic football team, left the Colony for Shanghai last night via Canton, from where he left this morning by a passenger air mail plane for Shanghai. He is expected in the Northern city this afternoon.

Before he left, Lee said that the team would probably play matches in Saigon, Java, Malaya and in India, playing in the same formation as in last Sunday's exhibition game at Caroline Hill, in order to blend the eleven players into one perfect unit.

SUBMARINE MISHAP

Perseus Puts Back To Hong Kong

On Tuesday last, during the exercises of the Fleet on the way to Wei-hai-wei, H.M. Submarine Perseus, while diving, hit the bottom, sustaining damage to the diving gear. The damage was considered sufficient to necessitate the docking of the vessel, and she returned to Hong Kong last night, and went into Taikoo Dockyard this morning.

None of the personnel of the ship were affected and nobody was hurt.

TIN RESTRICTION AGREEMENT

Prolongation Discussed At The Hague

The Hague, To-day.

It is learned that the International Tin Committee discussed the question of the prolongation of the restriction agreement, but no decision was taken. — Reuter.

FRENCH ELECTION APATHY

Paris, To-day. — The first ballot in the French election will be held on Sunday. Hitherto very little excitement has been shown over the forthcoming elections. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

MR. WRIGHT'S APPOINTMENT

London, To-day. — Mr. A. A. Wright, Secretary for Native Affairs in Fiji, has been appointed administrator and Colonial Secretary at St. Vincent and Windward Island, succeeding Mr. A. F. Grimble. — British Wireless Service.

ITALIAN ATTACKS REPULSED

17 BOMBING PLANES DESTROYED

SURPRISE ETHIOPIAN RAID ON ITALIAN AIRPORT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Addis Ababa, To-day.

The advance on Addis Ababa planned by the Italians has not yet begun, according to despatches reaching here from the northern front, which state that the Abyssinian troops are offering strong resistance south of Dessie. The capital is consequently quiet and the situation is now judged more optimistically in Abyssinian circles, which affirm that the Italian attacks on Sassabaneh and Daggahbur were repulsed, while all the attempts of the Italians to penetrate further into the province of Bali have so far failed.

It is pointed out that all these events imply a marked improvement in Abyssinia's position. Well-informed quarters stress that the eventual fall of Addis Ababa would, by no means signify the end of the war and that, on the contrary, the fighting would in that case continue with greater bitterness than ever, all the more so since the Abyssinian forces would be able to defend the western part of the country for an indefinite period.

Rome: Official communique No. 192 states that the Italian troops continue their advance on the Somali front, having reached localities 90 miles from their point of departure. The town of Ducan in the Nacata Valley was occupied on Tuesday after the rearguard of the enemy had been dispersed. The Italian losses in this engagement are given as one officer wounded and 50 men killed or wounded. Further submissions are reported from the northern front.

Addis Ababa: The Abyssinian Crown Prince arrived here on Tuesday night in order to take over his father's functions during the Emperor's absence. Seventeen Italian bombers are said to have been destroyed by the Abyssinians in a surprise raid on an airport situated 16 miles south of Dessie, according to reports reaching here, but which are not yet officially confirmed. — Trans-Ocean Service.

TENSION IN PALESTINE

German Consul Has Narrow Escape

CAUGHT IN SHOOTING AFFRAY

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

The German Consul-General, Herr Doehle, had a narrow escape yesterday when he was caught in a shooting affray between the police and Arabs when travelling in his motor-car along the road from Jerusalem to Haifa, which had been closed to traffic in consequence of the disorders of the last few days. Herr Doehle, who was proceeding in company with several other persons in their cars under the protection of a special police escort, had to return to the town of Nablus, whence he later set out alone to try to reach Haifa.

This time the attempt succeeded, the Arabs recognising the Consular flag on the car and allowing it to pass unmolested, so that Herr Doehle finally arrived safely at his destination. — Trans-Ocean Service.

JEWISH DEATHROLL

Jerusalem: The Arab leaders are reported to have met yesterday morning and decided to postpone the visit of the Arab delegation to London to discuss the proposed new Legislative Council and to enforce a general strike throughout Palestine. The attempt to strike in Jerusalem resulted in melees, in which Arab pickets were arrested.

The communal incidents in Jaffa on Tuesday resulted in 14 Arab and five Jewish casualties. Two Jews died of their previous injuries, making the total Jewish deathroll 17. — Reuter.

HIGH COST OF AGGRESSION

Rome, To-day.
An additional war appropriation of about £22,000,000 is revealed in the official Gazette, bringing the total war appropriation to £162,000,000. — Reuter.

MAIN ROAD BLOWN UP

Addis Ababa: It is reported that hundreds of Ethiopians are engaged in blowing up the main road from Dessie at a place over 100 miles from the capital. Italian bombers are continually interrupting the operations, but it is stated that road communication has been successfully severed, while at other places mountain streams have been diverted to demolish the track. (Continued on Page 2)

COTTON FROM RUSSIA

Increased Output For 1936

London, To-day.

Soviet Russia estimates to produce 3,000,000 more bales of cotton in 1936, according to the *Financial Times*, production being stimulated by increase payments for high yields in the cotton-growing sections. The paper adds that if this rate of increase continues the Soviet will find itself in the position of an exporter. — Reuter.

MAIL SCHEDULES

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
Batavia-Amsterdam via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon

Singapore-Australia
Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

The Money Order Office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. except on Saturdays when it closes at 12 noon and on Sundays and holidays when it is entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

Sarpedon Apr. 25
FROM U.S.A. Apr. 25

FROM SHANGHAI

Tepukuni Maru Apr. 23
Asama Maru Apr. 24
Bangalore Apr. 24
Pres. Wilson Apr. 24
Emp. of Japan Apr. 24
Pres. Cleveland Apr. 27
Achilles Apr. 28

FROM MANILA

Tjialak Apr. 27

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Behar Apr. 24
Katori Maru Apr. 25
Santhia Apr. 28

FROM JAPAN

La Plata Maru Apr. 23
Terukuni Maru Apr. 24
Mirzapore Apr. 24
Asama Maru Apr. 24
Pres. Wilson Apr. 24
Emp. of Japan Apr. 24
Mayebashi Maru Apr. 27
Pres. Cleveland Apr. 27
Tokushima Maru Apr. 27
Nellore Apr. 30

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Terukuni Maru (K.L.M. Service) Apr. 24
Closes: Reg. Noon Ord. 12.30 p.m.
R.M.A. Dorado ("Imperial Airways" direct) Apr. 24
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.15 a.m.
Pres. Grant (via Siberia and Victoria) Apr. 24
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.
Katori Maru (via Siberia) Apr. 25

FOR SHANGHAI

General Lee Apr. 24
Pres. Grant Apr. 24

FOR JAPAN

Talhybius Apr. 23
General Lee Apr. 24
Pres. Grant Apr. 24

FOR MANILA

Emp. of Japan Apr. 24
Pres. Wilson Apr. 24
Kamo Maru Apr. 24

FOR U.S.A.

Talhybius Apr. 23
General Lee Apr. 24
Pres. Grant Apr. 24

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

La Plata Maru Apr. 23
Terukuni Maru Apr. 24

FOR AUSTRALIA

R.M.A. Dorado Apr. 23
Kamo Maru Apr. 24

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if superscribed.
REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given above, unless otherwise stated, where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.
AIR MAIL—Imperial Airways via Singapore, Batavia-Amsterdam via Singapore, Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon. Correspondence for Europe and

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Colonial Secretary Replies

ANSWER TO UNOFFICIAL SPEECHES

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, with reference to the speeches of the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo on the occasion of the second reading of the bill to authorise a levy on the salaries of civil servants so as to balance the Colony's budget, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Acting Colonial Secretary, said:—

"With Your Excellency's permission I should like to comment briefly on some of the points raised by Honourable Members who have spoken on this Bill.

"The Honourable the Senior Unofficial Member has suggested four measures which he considers would effect considerable economies.

"Regarding the first of these, very far reaching proposals for a revision of salary scales have with in the past few days been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies. These proposals will require careful study and the Government is not yet in a position to make a pronouncement on the subject.

"The decision of the Government to substitute wherever possible dollar-paid for sterling paid officers has already been announced and I have nothing to add to the statements already made in this Council.

Investigation

"The Colonial Treasurer is carrying out an investigation of rent and other allowances paid to Government servants. These allowances were carefully considered in 1931 and some reductions were made on that occasion, but it is felt that it may be possible to effect further economies in this direction. It is, however, worth mentioning in this connection that the proposals of the Secretary of State to which I have referred, include the provision of free quarters even to Senior Officers. Such matters as acting and leave pay are in general governed by Colonial Regulations common to the whole Colonial Service, and any proposal to introduce modifications which would place Hong Kong officers at a disadvantage compared with those serving in other Colonies would not, I feel, be readily accepted by the Colonial Office, at a time when every effort is being made to secure the unification of conditions of employment in the Colonial Service.

"The proposal to transfer to private medical practitioners, on a contract basis, the attendance on Government Servants at present performed by one part time Medical Officer in Hong Kong and one in Kowloon, apart from other considerations, does not appeal to the Government on grounds of economy. The number of officers to be covered runs into thousands, and even at an annual rate far below that commonly charged for such a service, the cost must greatly exceed the cost to Government of the Medical Officers who are now employed on this work.

Position Explained

"Moreover, the position with regard to these Medical Officers was explained for transmission by these Services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the General Post Office and Kowloon Office. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the General Post Office. Unless superscribed for despatch by a specific air mail service, correspondence will be forwarded by the first service available.



"Lotus and Maie in 'Last of the Pagans,' which is now showing at the King's Theatre.

GENERAL VON SEECKT

Celebrates 70th Birthday

DISTINGUISHED WAR CAREER

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Berlin, To-day.

One of the foremost German army leaders of the world war, General von Seeckt, celebrated his 70th birthday yesterday in excellent health. He achieved universal celebrity when, as Chief of Staff of the 11th German Corps under Field Marshal von Mackensen, he organised the campaign against the Russians in Galicia in the spring of 1915, which resulted in the breaking of the Russian lines at the Battle of Gorlice.

Later General von Seeckt took a leading part in the victorious campaign in Serbia and from 1917 until the end of the war he occupied the post of Chief of the General Staff. After the war he assumed the formidable task of organising the new German Reichswehr.

In 1926 he was placed on the retired list and subsequently he spent some years in China, where the Government conferred on him one of its highest orders in token of appreciation of his services. He is the author of numerous books on military subjects, which have attracted much attention.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Many Congratulations

Later: General von Seeckt was the recipient of numerous congratulatory messages yesterday on the occasion of his 70th birthday, the foremost among them being a letter from Herr Hitler, in which the Chancellor expressed his best wishes and gratitude for the great services rendered by the General in reorganising the German army. In recognition of this "historic achievement, by which the basis was created for the present national army," the Chancellor has bestowed on General von Seeckt the rank of Honorary Colonel of the 67th infantry regiment, which will henceforth bear his name.

Among the numerous prominent persons who called at the General's residence in Berlin in the course of yesterday personally to present their congratulations were the War Minister, Field Marshal von Blomberg, and many other high officers of the new and old armies, as well as a number of members of the diplomatic corps, including the Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Chen Tien-fang, and Colonel Tschun, who was General von Seeckt's Adjutant during his stay in China.

At noon General von Seeckt inspected a guard of honour of his own regiment, which was drawn up in front of his house.—Trans-Ocean Service.

QUEER GIFT FOR STOCKHOLM

An Anti-Aircraft Battery

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Stockholm, To-day.

An unusual gift of an anti-aircraft battery, consisting of four automatic guns of the latest type, has been made to the city of Stockholm by an anonymous donor, according to press reports reaching here on Wednesday.

The battery, which is estimated to be worth 250,000 kroner, was constructed in the Bofors works, the largest arms factory in Sweden, and has been placed by the municipal authorities at the disposal of the local Air Defence League.—Trans-Ocean Service.

WHEN SHE LOST 32 lbs. OF FAT

Her Figure Reappeared

You would hardly expect such a change in a woman of 40. Eyes brighter—skin fresher—brain clearer. And most remarkable of all, she regained the graceful free-from-fat figure of her youth. What fairy godmother worked this transformation? Let her tell the story herself.

"Ten years ago—when I was 30 years of age—I put on weight rapidly, previously only weighing about seven stone. I was alarmed to find I weighed about 12 stone. In desperation I tried Kruschen Salts, and discovered that by just taking the daily dose of Kruschen every morning I was losing weight. My eyes became clearer and brighter, and my brain seemed much clearer, no—in fact, I felt decidedly a younger woman. I am now 40 years of age, and my present weight is 9 st. 10 lb. My figure as a whole has reappeared out of what was unsightly superfluous flesh."—(Mrs.) E. U.

Kruschen strikes at the usual cause of fat by effecting a perfect natural clearance of undigested food substances and excessive waste matter.

R.A.O.C. SOCIAL AT Y.M.C.A.

"Fast And Furious"

AMUSING AND SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT

The Hong Kong Branch of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps Association held its first get-together social last evening in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. The function, which was largely attended by members and their ladies, was a great success in every way, all present joining in wholeheartedly in the programme.

Opportunity was also taken to welcome Col. J. H. King as the new President of the Association. Others present included Lieut. Col. R. F. Johnson, Major J. W. Gaisford, Capt. T. W. Davis and Capt. F. W. Beer.

The programme, which was entitled "Fast and Furious," consisted of a six-hand whist drive, a tombola, a number of amusing games, including "Speeches" and comic "Olympic Games" by ten teams chosen from those present. Mr. J. A. Bendall acted as M.C.

Others who also assisted greatly in the M. C. work of the evening were Messrs. Bowstead, Bullock, McQueen, Andrews and Rance.

At the conclusion of the games, prizes were presented to the successful teams.

INFORMAL CONCERT AT PENINSULA

Hong Kong Singers

DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT BY MEMBERS ONLY

The first informal concert of the Hong Kong Singers, held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel last night, proved an unequalled success, a large crowd of members and their friends being present to enjoy the programme arranged by and for the members of the Hong Kong Singers.

Artists who contributed to the success of the programme were Mrs. Anderson Miller, Mr. P. C. Frost, Mrs. Court, Mrs. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Barton, Mrs. Lindsay A. Lafford, Mrs. L. H. Shaw, Mr. A. V. Sanders, Frau Luring, Herren



THE
HONG KONG
PENINSULA HOTEL;
HONG KONG HOTEL; REPULSE BAY HOTEL;
PEAK HOTEL;

& SHANGHAI

ASTOR HOUSE; PALACE HOTEL.

HOTELS,

LIMITED

In association with the Grand Hotel des Wagons Lits, Peiping

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The Bridge and Mah Jongg Drive in aid of the St. John's Cathedral Organ Fund will take place on Monday, April 27, at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden, at 3 p.m. The price of admission will be \$1.50, including tea. Prizes will be given.

The Australian and New Zealand Association held its final dance of the season last night at the Association's rooms in the Gloucester Hotel.

The Rev. N. N. Thelle, of the Tao Fong Shan Christian Institute, Shatin, will give a public lecture at the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, Hong Kong Club Annex, 1b Chater Road, at 6 p.m. to-day.

A reminder is given that the mah jong and bridge afternoon at the Mashed Church, Shamshui, will be held to-morrow, commencing at 3 p.m. Mrs. Bartholomew has kindly consented to distribute the prizes.

A large audience of Servicemen and members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade listened to a pleasing farewell performance given in the Ambulance Headquarters, Tai Hang, last night by the talented "Incognitos" Concert Party of H.M.S. Cornwall, which is shortly leaving the China Station.

At yesterday's meeting of the Finance Committee votes totalling \$48,876.80, being \$2,502.00 under Estimates 1935 and \$46,374.80 under Estimates 1936, were approved. The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, presided.

The Management of the Hong Kong Hotel advise that the usual afternoon Tea Dance will not take place on Monday next.

Telegrams addressed to D. W. Smith, C/o American Consulate (three telegrams retransmitted from Shanghai and Tokyo), from Southbend, Indiana, and Soerabaja; Sears, Citibank, from Yokohama; Toyoko, from Hakodate; and Mr. Kiyoshi Wakawa, C/o Tokyo Hotel, from Yokohama, are lying at the offices of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Ltd.

One case each of diphtheria and measles were reported to the Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Tuesday.

C. Leopoldt, H. Seidler, Mrs. Helen Lockhart, Dr. L. T. Ride, and Mr. and Mrs. Evelie and Mrs. M. E. Arnold (instrumental trio) and the choir.

The music comprised excerpts from the works of many famous composers, including Brahms, Schubert, Elgar, Loeliet, Dvorak and Stanford. Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw was the accompanist throughout.

ITALIAN ATTACKS REPULSED

(Continued from Page 1.)

NEW VIOLATION?

The Hague: The Dutch Red Cross headquarters has received a message reporting that the equipment of the Dutch ambulance has been seized by the Italians. The Red Cross has applied to Addis Ababa for confirmation.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

Fierce Fighting At Warrahabu

ITALIANS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN ROUTED

Addis Ababa: Fierce fighting is reported from Warrahabu, where the Crown Prince's guards claim to have repulsed numerous Italian attacks. At nightfall the Ethiopians worked their way over inaccessible goat-tracks round the steep mountainside and suddenly attacked the Italians in the rear. It is alleged that the Italians broke and fled, leaving a portable wireless transmitter and many rifles.

On Tuesday the Italians made repeated assaults on Tarmabir Mountain, along the sides of which the Dessie—Addis Ababa road climbs with innumerable hairpin bends. Three times the Ethiopians claim to have repulsed the Italians, inflicting serious losses, the Italians finally abandoning their attacks.

The Crown Prince has arrived at Addis Ababa to help to organise the defences of the capital.—Reuter.

Makes lovely Scones and delicious Cakes

Simpson's SELF-RAISING FLOUR

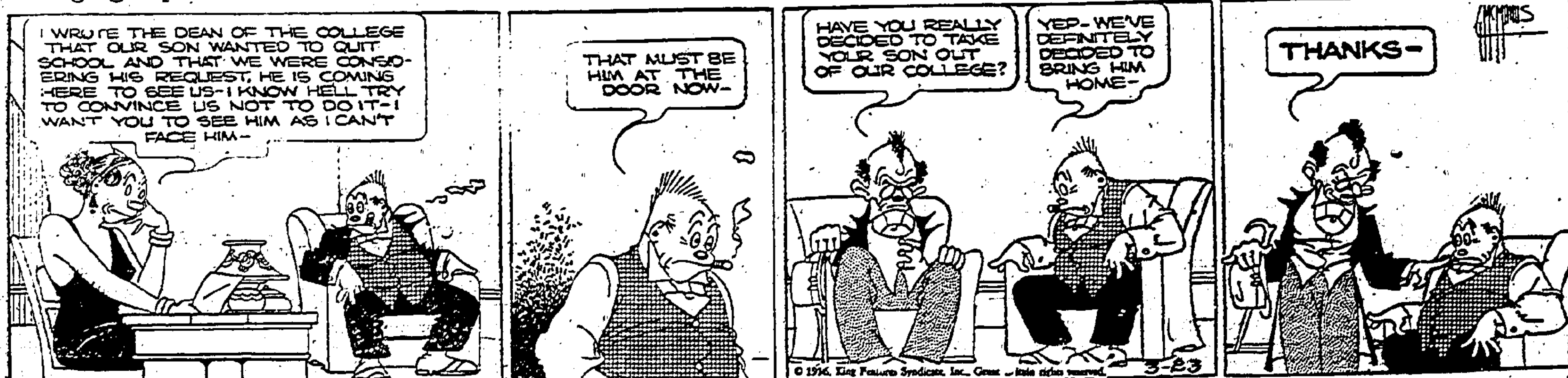
"The Flour of the Nations"

Agents:
GILMAN & Co., Ltd.



APB2

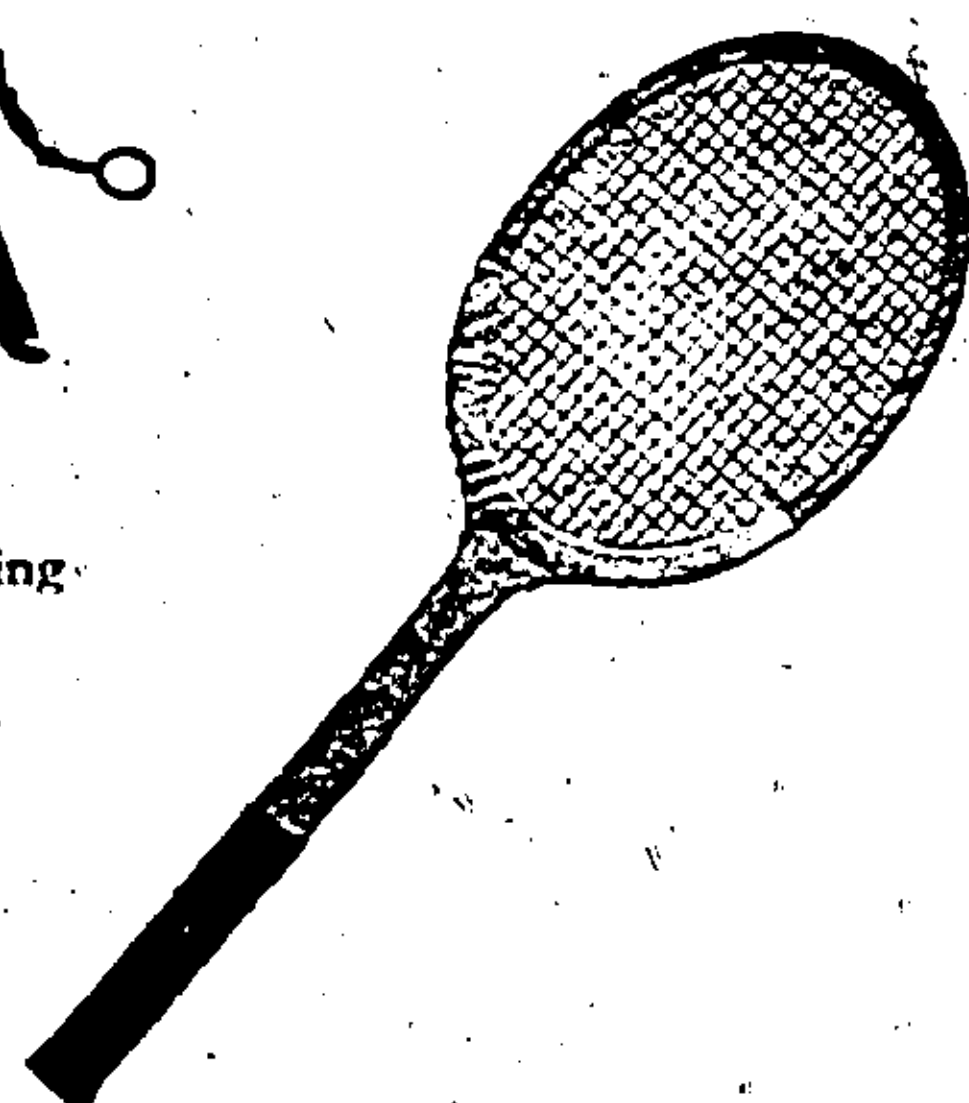
Bringing Up Father



SOMETHING NEW!
IN
FURNISHING FABRICS
THE
Latest Designs In
Cottage Weaves & Cretonnes
Arriving Every Day
Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., Ltd.

Lead the World!

1935 FRENCH SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP
1935 BELGIAN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP
1934 U. S. A. SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP



WINNER — MEN'S SINGLES
 RUNNER-UP — MEN'S SINGLES
 WINNERS — MEN'S DOUBLES

for SPEED

The "SLAZENGER" Tennis Ball
has been selected for the
1936 Wimbiedon Championships.

Wimbledon's
Choice

Sole Agents:—
HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA
JOHN D. HUTCHISON & CO.

TSUI WAI-PU'S FINE STRATEGY

(By "BASE-LINE")

Tsui Wai-pui achieved the coveted lawn tennis "double" yesterday at the H.K.C.C. when he and his brother Tsui Yan-pui won the Colony Doubles Championship by beating E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung by scores of 6-8, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. He won the Singles title last Monday when he beat H. D. Rumjahn in straight sets.

The "double" has been achieved by only two other players, both of whom witnessed Tsui's triumph yesterday—Ng Sze-kwong (1918, 1919, 1922 and 1923) and Sirdar Rumjahn (1927, 1932, 1933 and 1935).

Yesterday's Final was a disappointing one in almost every respect, the standard being poor and not being helped in the least by the unusually late decisions of one of the service linesmen.

Lack Of Understanding

The Tsuis were the more spectacular combination—the phrase is not very apt under the circumstances—and fully deserved their success, but they did not give the impression that they were embarking on a long list of successes such as the Rumjahn cousins recorded from 1925 to 1935. Times without number they clashed when attempting a return, and had their opponents devoted more attention to returns down the centre of the court they would have done considerably better. As it was they concentrated mainly on the sidelines, and this suited the two individuals opposing them.

Tsui Yan-pui's lobbying was seldom deep enough and was invariably "killed" by Hung or tucked away to advantage by the more cautious, Fincher. The younger Tsui was also disheartened by several blunders overheard early in the match and from the second set onwards he rarely took full advantage of any weak return by the opposition. His volleying was sound, while his ground shots were well under control throughout. His service, however, was his main asset—he won one game with four aces.

Champion's Strategy

Tsui Wai-pui failed to reveal his best form at any period of the match, although he brought off several extremely well judged lobs. His drop shot proved a failure against the quick witted Fincher and it was surprising that he persevered with it as long as he did. It must, however, be said that it was the champion's generalship that won the match—he was never slow to take full advantage of any temporary lapse on the part of either of his opponents and that weakness was attacked with dour determination.

Teddy. Fincher was until the last set—when the light became a little difficult—the most impressive player on view. He staged a welcome comeback on the occasion of his fourth unsuccessful appearance in a Final in the last five years, his volleying being crisp and well placed, while his ground shots and lobbing were as accurate as could be desired. In the fifth set, feeling the effects of a long-drawn-out struggle and being unable to see as well as he might in the poor light, he lost his grip on the game and with that the K.C.C. partnership collapsed like a pricked balloon.

(Continued on Page 3)

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	THIRD ROUND	FOURTH ROUND	SEMI-FINALS	FINAL	WINNER
Tsui Yan-pui	Bye	Tsui Yan-pui 6-4, 6-0.				
M. Pagh	Bye					
N. A. E. Mackay K. T. Kwik	Kwik 6-1, 6-2.	Iu 6-2, 6-1.		Tsui Yan-pui 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.		
Surg.-Lt. Grant Iu Tak-cheuk	Iu 6-0, 6-1.				H. D. Rumjahn 6-2, 6-2.	
H. D. Rumjahn W. J. Howard	H. D. Rumjahn 6-1, 7-5.	H. D. Rumjahn 6-1, 6-2.				
Wing-Comdr. Bishop Luk Chun-cheong	Luk w.o.			H. D. Rumjahn 6-2, 6-3.		
C. H. Ung Y. C. Lau	Lau 6-3, 6-1.	Choa 6-2, 6-0.				
R. Choa Lt.-Comdr. Conway	Choa 6-2, 7-5.					H. D. Rumjahn 9-7, 6-1, 2-3, 6-3.
Lai Kwong-tsun Y. Hachiuma	Lai 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.	Lai w.o.				
S. Ling M. W. Lo	Lo 6-2, 6-3.			Lai 6-2, 6-2.		
J. W. Leonard A. L. Sullivan	Leonard 6-0, 6-4.	Leonard 6-1, 7-5.				
M. Drysdale Wong Fuk-nam	Wong 6-1, 6-2.				Lai 6-3, 6-4.	
E. C. Fincher A. Crawford	Fincher 6-2, 7-5.	Fincher 6-1, 6-2.				
Lt. Phillimore Capt. Cragg	Cragg 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.			Fincher 6-1, 6-3.		
Lee Hua-ngok A. E. P. Guest	Lee w.o.	Lee 6-2, 6-1.				
H. Owen Hughes Ma Nai-kwong	Owen Hughes 8-6, 6-1.					
F. R. Zimmern Lee Wai-tong	Lee 2-6, 6-3, 6-0.	Kwok 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.				
W. C. Hung Tennie Kwok	Kwok 6-4, 6-2.			Kwok 6-4, 7-5.		
Capt. Milne A. V. Gosano	Gosano 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.	Gosano 6-1, 6-1.				
A. Warr H. Y. Ho	Ho 6-2, 6-4.				Tsui Wai-pui 8-6, 6-3.	
Tsui Wai-pui I. M. A. Razack	Tsui Wai-pui 6-1, 6-2.	Tsui Wai-pui 6-2, 6-2.				
Firdos Khan S. W. Liang	Liang 6-3, 6-3.			Tsui Wai-pui 6-1, 6-2.		
S. A. Gray Capt. Walch	Gray 8-6, 6-3.	Gray 1-6, 6-4, 6-2.				
Leong Ping-chiu James Hsu	Leong 6-0, 6-1.					Tsui Wai-pui 6-1, 6-1, 7-5.
Paul Kong G. C. Burnett	Kong 6-1, 6-2.	Kong 6-1, 6-2.				
T. A. Pearce T. C. Monaghan	Pearce 6-2, 6-0.			Kong 6-0, 6-0.		
W. Shute P. Scoones	Scoones 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.	Blyth 0-6, 6-3, 6-4.				
Wei Chun-tung R. Blyth	Blyth 6-3, 7-5.				S. A. Rumjahn 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.	
P. H. Kwok K. Shute	Kwok 6-3, 6-2.	Kwok 6-2, 6-1.				
D. M. MacDougall	Bye			S. A. Rumjahn 6-2, 6-4.		
J. Tavares	Bye	S. A. Rumjahn 5-7, 6-1, 6-2.				
S. A. Rumjahn (holder)	Bye					

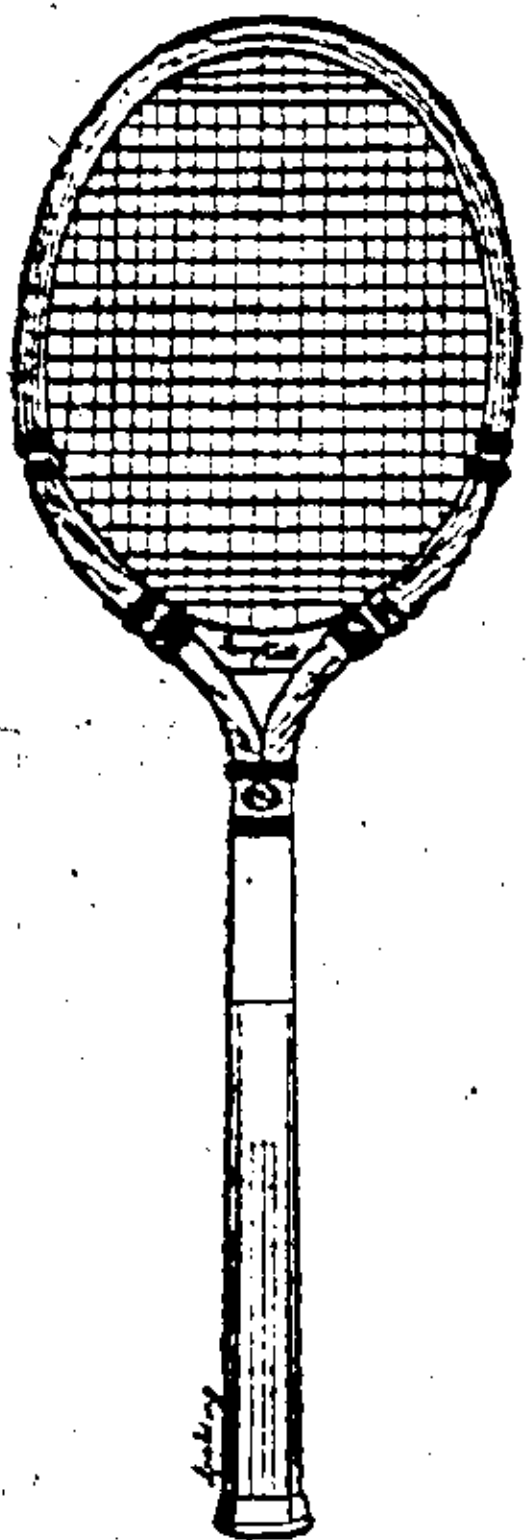
1936 COLONY TENNIS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	THIRD ROUND	SEMI-FINALS	WINNERS
E. C. Fincher & W. C. Hung Y. N. Tong & P. L. Lee	Fincher & Hung 6-1, 6-3.	Fincher & Hung 6-3, 6-4.	Fincher & Hung 6-0, 6-4.	
Lt. Lucy & Lt. Phillimore M. Drysdale & J. Tavares	Tavares & Drysdale 6-4, 6-3.			
Wong Fuk-nam & K. F. Lui Iu Tak Lam & Iu Tak Cheuk	Iu Bros. 6-4, 14-12. Pearce & Goldman w.o.	Pearce & Goldman 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.		Fincher & Hung 7-5, 6-2.
T. A. Pearce & L. Goldman Wing-Comm. Bishop & Capt. Walch.				
M. W. Lo & M. H. Lo B. O'M. Deane & G. E. R. Divett	Lo Bros. 6-3, 6-2. Gosano & Remedios 6-1, 6-1.	Lo Bros. 6-4, 8-6.	Lo Bros. 7-5, 7-5.	
P. F. McCabe & D. Carey A. V. Gosano & A. V. Remedios				
F. H. Kwok & S. W. Liang I. M. A. Razack & A. K. Suffad	Kwok & Liang 6-2, 6-3.	Kong & Lai 6-1, 6-1.		
E. Bathurst & A. T. Lay Paul Kong & Lai Kwong-tsun	Kong & Lai 6-1, 6-2.			
Lee Wai-tong & Luk Ding-cheong Capt. Milne & Lt. Petch	Lee & Luk 6-3, 6-3.	Lee & Luk 7-5, 6-2.	Lee & Luk 6-2, 6-2.	
P. Scoones & A. L. Sullivan J. W. Leonard & Y. Hachiuma	Leonard & Hachiuma 6-2, 6-2.			
J. Crawford & S. A. Gray G. S. Gamble & T. C. Monaghan	Gray & Crawford 6-0, 6-1.	Gray & Crawford 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.		Tsui Bros. 7-5 6-3, 4-8, 6-1.
J. C. Poole & R. Henry G. Lai & G. Chang	Lai & Chang 6-0, 6-3.			
M. Pagh & Lt.-Comdr. Conway A. W. Ramsay & G. C. Burnett	Ramsay & Burnett 1-6, 6-3, 9-7.	Tsui Bros. 6-2, 6-3.	Tsui Bros. 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.	
W. Shute & K. Shute Tsui Wai-pui & Tsui Yan-pui	Tsui Bros. 6-0, 6-2.			
Lee Hui-ngok & Tennie Kwok H. A. Barros & J. Gonsalves	Barros & Gonsalves 6-4, 1-6, 8-6.	Rumjahn 6-1, 6-3.		
J. A. Bendall & J. L. Agafuroff H. D. Rumjahn & S. A. Rumjahn (holders since 1925)	Rumjahn 6-2, 6-0.			

SPALDING

"TOP-FLITE"

TENNIS RACKET.



Originally designed by the world-famous W. T. Tilden and used by him in all his most important successes. The fastest racket on the market. It gets the ball there a split second quicker.

On Sale At All Sports Dealers

BAGGAGE TRANSFERS

Telephone

27761

to Engage our Service

Efficient and Secure

CHINA PROVENT
LOAN & MORTGAGE
CO., LTD.

RECREIO AND KOWLOON SHARE TWO GOALS

Disappointing Senior Encounter

"JOCK" MCKELVIE'S COMEBACK

A poor soccer game was witnessed yesterday when Recreio held Kowloon to a draw of 1-1 in their First Division League soccer match in the latter's ground, the outstanding feature of which was the return of that veteran "Jock" McKelvie to the Kowloon left-wing berth, where he gave a sound display.

The game was very robust and both teams were much below strength, the Recreio calling upon the junior team to fill more than half the positions.

Wasted Openings

The Kowloon forwards wasted too many opportunities in front of goal during the opening period of the second half, and this had a disheartening effect on the rest, who, despite the Portuguese raids, fought back doggedly to the end.

Bliss was outstanding in the Kowloon intermediate line and was given sound support by Roberts, while Willis was the pick of the two full-backs. Boyes made little improvement on his poor form of last Sunday, lacking all sense of anticipation.

G. White made a thrustful leader and was given ample support on the wings and by Winch, but V. White was much too slow in snapping up the openings made for him.

Beltrao Shines

Bowen was the better of the two

SAPPERS DEFEATED IN SECOND DIVISION

Combined R.A.O.C. And R.A.S.C. Team Spring Surprise

The combined R.A.O.C. and R.A.S.C. unexpectedly defeated the Royal Engineers, holders of the Junior Shield, in a Second Division League soccer game yesterday by a goal scored by Duffield two minutes after the start.

Brothwell, in goal, Haytor, the pivot and Duffield, at inside-left, were outstanding for the combined Corps, while Hurst, at centre-half, and Howlett, at inside-right, shone for the Sappers.

Recreio backs, while Beltrao made his presence felt in the intermediate line by a sound display. B. Gosano, H. Campos and J. Gomes were the pick of the attack, Gosano and Gomes working all the openings between them, while J. Pereira was the pick of the two wingers.

Kowloon Score First

Kowloon opened their account when a penalty was awarded for a foul against G. White, and the latter had no difficulty in placing his side ahead from the "spot" kick.

Recreio retaliated, but were unable to draw level until well after the interval, when B. Gosano equalised with a brilliant header from corner kick.

Kowloon:—Boyes; Everest and Willis; Roberts, A. S. Bliss and Eastman; W. Know, G. Winch, G. White, V. White and J. McKelvie.

Recreio:—Xavier; E. Silva and J. Bowen; V. Marques, N. Beltrao and N. Demeer; C. Marques, B. Gosano, H. Campos, J. Gomes and J. Pereira.

EAST LANCES AND RIFLES SHARE SPOILS

Good Premier League Soccer Clash

SANDFORD IN LIMELIGHT

An evenly contested First Division League soccer game was witnessed at Chatham Road yesterday, when the Rifles shared two goals with the East Lances.

Moore, the Rifles leader, did not display much speed in his methods and was slow off the mark, but he distributed the ball well and kept his wingers well supplied with passes. Erwin, on the right wing, played a good game, but was at fault on two occasions when he attempted to shoot instead of passing to his leader. Hartigan, on the opposite wing, was very erratic and inconsistent in his play.

Coyle, the pivot, was sound in his defence work, but did not open the game up to any great extent, while behind him both Pickering and Stevens, the two backs were too inclined to fall back, instead of advancing to tackle an opposing forward.

Connor Injured

Connor, the goalkeeper, as the result of an injury sustained in a collision with several opposing forwards, was not very confident with any shots which came his way. He was greatly at fault in retaining the ball when the opposing forwards were rushing him.

Oxford, in the East Lances, goal was very safe and displayed coolness and confidence in dealing with the most difficult shots, while Swain and Gorman were a useful pair of backs who were accurate in their clearances.

Sandford was the live wire in the East Lances, attack and had the opposing defence guessing on several occasions with well thought out moves, but he did not find the robust tackling of the Rifles all to his liking. Ridings was the better of the two wingers and sent over some useful centres.

The East Lances, scored first through Sandford, who netted from a difficult angle, but shortly after half-time Ferguson equalised for the Rifles with a header from a well-placed centre by Erwin.

Rifles:—Connor; Pickering and Stevens; McGonagall, Coyle and Ballard; Erwin, Docherty, Moore, Ferguson and Hartigan.

East Lances:—Oxford; Swain and Gorman; Walkden, Lawton, and Thrope; Smith, Sandford, Steele, Eekersley and Ridings.

MACAU RACES

Tiny Star Favoured For Jockey Club Cup

BOXING EVE AND PLAIN VIEW AGAIN IN OPPOSITION

(By "RAPIER")

After having been inactive for quite a long period, the Macau Jockey Club have prepared an attractive programme of six events for its April Race Meeting to be held on Sunday next at Macau.

It is expected that the weather will remain fine, so that the prospect of an excursion to the Portuguese colony will probably attract a good gathering of racing fans. The Stewards of the Macau Jockey Club are exceedingly keen on catering for the comfort of visitors, and those who intend to make the trip may do so confident in the expectation of spending a pleasant holiday.

Despite the added inducement offered by the Club in defraying the cost of all transport charges for ponies, the entries, with the exception of the Fourth Race, the Jockey Club Cup, are only moderate. Nevertheless, the races on the whole will be keenly contested.

AREA PRATA HANDICAP (Third Section)—6 Furlongs

There will probably be only five starters, as I understand that Rugby Star, although entered, may not make the trip. The race will probably be fought out between The Hero (158 lbs.), The Rain Gauge (161 lbs.) and Soldier of Italy (158 lbs.). Nothing much is known about R.T.P. (149 lbs.) and Gold Picker (148 lbs.) may not be quick enough for such a sprint event. Based on recent performances, I think The Hero should win, with The Rain Gauge second and Soldier of Italy third.

PRAIA GRANDE HANDICAP—6 Furlongs

FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A COMPREHENSIVE guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football Leagues and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams' details of how they have fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn, respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figure in brackets denotes the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division		HOME										AWAY									
		Goals										Goals									
		P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Pts				
Sunland (2)	WVWV	41	22	18	2	2	45	34	63	19	7	8	4	31	34	18	56				
Derby (6)	LDWDL	40	21	12	4	5	49	18	29	19	6	8	4	31	34	17	46				
Huddsfield (16)	LdWl	39	18	11	2	5	28	13	37	21	6	10	5	27	37	14	44				
Stoke (10)	WdWL	40	19	11	6	2	31	25	24	21	7	9	5	22	21	19	43				
Preston (11)	LdWVl	40	20	11	3	3	33	17	31	20	3	12	5	20	34	11	42				
Brentf'd (5)	dWVWd	40	20	10	6	4	48	23	24	20	6	7	7	32	29	14	43				
Arsenal (1)	DWVWd	39	20	9	4	7	41	20	25	19	6	7	6	33	24	18	43				
Manter C. (4)	WdWVd	40	22	12	4	5	37	17	29	18	4	10	4	21	34	12	41				
M'ough (20)	WdWVl	40	20	11	5	3	34	18	28	20	4	13	3	28	38	11	39				
Bolton (7)	WdWVl	40	21	10	6	5	40	31	25	19	3	8	8	22	44	14	39				
P'mouth (14)	LDWV	40	19	12	2	5	34	19	29	21	3	15	3	18	37	9	38				
B'ham (19)	LDWV	40	21	10	5	6	38	28	26	19	5	9	5	20	31	15	41				
Leeds (18)	WVWV	40	22	12	6	4	32	28	26	19	5	9	5	20	31	15	41				
Liverpool (7)	DdLD	38	22	11	7	4	33	22	26	18	4	9	5	21	33	14	41				
Everton (8)	LDWV	40	20	10	6	4	34	25	20	1	11	7	9	16	39	11	37				
Chelsea (12)	LDWV	39	21	11	5	3	34	30	27	18	4	11	18	25	22	39	37				
Wolves (17)	LDWV	39	18	11	2	5	47	23	27	21	3	16	2	19	48	8	35				
G'ham (5)	WVWV	39	21	12	6	3	46	23	27	18	4	12	2	16	45	10	37				
A. Villa (15)	LDWDL	41	20	7	6	4	44	44	20	21	6	12	3	31	56	15	35				
W. B'wich (9)	DWVWd	40	21	12	5	6	49	25	26	19	3	13	3	27	56	9	35				
Wednesday (3)	dWVW	40	19	9	4	6	36	22	24	21	4	12	5	27	46	13	37				
Black's (15)	LDWV	40	20	10	5	5	32	25	25	20	1	15	4	18	63	6	31				

Second Division		HOME					AWAY				
		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
		W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
		Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
W. Ham (3)	LDWV	40	22	14	4	5	42	26	31	18	9
M'ester U. (5)	dWVW	39	20	14	2	4	51	16	32	19	6
Charlton (7)	LDWV	40	22	16	1	5	53	37	18	5	8
S'field U. (11)	WdWV	40	20	15	1	4	49	22	34	20	5
Tham (7)	WdWV	39	20	11	2	7	55	25	29	19	6
Plymouth (8)	LDWV	40	20	14	4	2	35	21	30	20	4
L'eter (7)	LDWV	40	20	13	2	5	49	24	31	20	6
Blackpool (5)	WVWV	41	23	14	5	4	68	35	32	18	5
N'castle (6)	WVWV	39	19	12	1	6	39	27	30	19	5
Fulham (7)	LDWV	38	20	11	3	7	49	24	28	18	3
Bury (10)	WVWV	38	20	10	3	7	37	24	26	18	3
B'ford C. (20)	WVWV	39	18	10	2	6	27	20	26	21	4
Notts F. (9)	LDWV	41	22	10	5	7	53	20	27	19	3
D'caster (7)	LDWV	40	22	10	5	7	27	21	27	18	4
Norwich (14)	LDWV	39	19	11	6	3	34	20	25	20	4
B'rad' (15)	WVWV	39	21	12	4	5	49	29	29	18	2
Swansea (18)	LDWV	40	21	10	9	8	34	31	22	19	4
S'mpton (19)	WVWV	40	20	10	7	3	34	23	23	20	4
Barnley (13)	LDWV	38	19	9	5	5	33	17	23	19	2
Port Vale (16)	LDWV	39	19	9	5	3	31	22	23	20	1
Barnsley (16)	LDWV	39	18	7	7	4	31	33	18	21	3
Hull (13)	LDWV	40	20	12	2	2	32	34	10	20	2

Third Division (South)			HOME						AWAY											
			Goals									Goals								
			P	P	P	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	P	P	L	D	F	A	Pts		
Luton (4)	IDDWw	39	19	13	3	3	3	3	19	29	20	10	6	4	2	22	27	24	53	
Reading (2)	wDWWd	40	19	16	2	1	4	7	19	33	21	9	11	1	3	35	31	16	51	
Qs. P.R. (13)	WvWd	40	21	15	2	4	5	4	20	34	19	6	8	1	5	26	31	17	51	
Coventry (3)	WdWw	39	20	19	1	0	6	9	21	38	19	4	8	1	2	25	33	15	53	
C'stal P. (5)	LDWw	38	19	13	3	4	5	0	15	29	19	4	11	7	1	26	35	15	44	
Brighton (9)	WdWdW	39	20	12	4	4	5	0	20	30	19	5	10	4	1	25	33	14	44	
Watford (6)	WLDWd	39	20	11	6	3	3	6	24	25	13	7	5	6	1	26	33	17	41	
B'mouth (17)	WLD	40	19	9	4	6	3	7	27	24	21	7	5	6	1	25	32	17	41	
Millwall (12)	WDDdW	40	21	10	3	8	3	8	24	21	28	19	5	12	2	23	32	12	42	
Torquay (6)	dWLDd	39	20	13	3	4	2	8	25	30	19	2	11	6	1	24	27	10	49	
*'rshot (18)	WDDdD	38	21	10	4	7	3	40	18	27	17	3	9	5	23	24	11	38		
Notts C. (7)	LDWLD	39	19	9	5	5	3	44	23	20	6	9	5	23	31	15	38			
B'istol C. (15)	WLDW	39	20	8	5	7	33	31	23	19	4	10	5	18	34	13	36			
G'ham (20)	WDWd	39	19	8	6	5	38	31	21	20	6	11	4	19	48	14	35			
Clapton (11)	LDWdL	38	18	8	4	6	41	19	23	20	4	13	3	20	39	11	34			
Cardiff (19)	LDWd	39	19	10	4	5	36	21	25	20	1	15	4	15	44	9	34			
Swindon (16)	dWvWL	38	21	8	8	5	40	28	21	17	5	9	3	25	27	13	34			
N'ton (7)	LDWv	40	19	10	5	4	33	20	25	21	3	15	3	26	55	7	34			
South'd (21)	LDWL	39	20	6	7	7	29	17	19	19	5	11	3	18	43	13	32			
Bristol R. (DD)	LDW	39	20	10	4	6	39	29	26	15	1	15	3	17	59	5	31			
Newport (2)	LDWdL	40	21	6	12	3	25	49	15	20	5	11	4	26	44	14	25			
Exeter (1)	LDWd	40	20	7	8	5	40	41	19	20	2	13	6	1	24	42	8	27		
Third Division (North)			HOME																	

Third Division (North)		HOME						AWAY							
		Goals						Goals							
		P	P	W	L	D	F	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	Pts	
C'field (10)	WdWV	39	21	14	3	4	25	32	18	8	3	7	29	23	55
Tran'me (6)	LDWV	39	20	12	7	2	75	25	35	19	4	6	8	2	20
Chester (3)	WVWV	40	18	11	2	5	60	15	27	22	9	6	30	27	24
Lincoln (4)	WdLWV	37	19	14	2	3	55	11	28	18	5	5	9	22	31
Crewe (13)	WdWVWV	39	19	13	2	4	47	27	30	20	5	11	5	23	24
Hartle's (1)	WdWVW	40	21	12	2	7	42	20	31	19	3	11	5	20	30
Stockport (7)	WVWV	38	19	11	5	3	32	16	25	19	6	9	4	21	29
A'ron (18)	WVWV	41	21	12	5	4	34	20	28	20	5	11	4	20	47
*'ldham (7)	WdWVW	40	20	12	5	3	36	32	27	20	5	9	6	34	40
R'ham (9)	WVWVW	40	22	14	5	3	40	19	31	18	3	11	4	17	37
*'rshot (18)	WdWVW	39	21	12	3	6	52	19	30	18	3	11	4	17	28
Darlington (5)	WVWVW	39	21	15	1	5	34	21	35	18	1	15	5	22	43
Halifax (19)	WdWVW	39	21	12	2	7	42	20	31	18	2	12	4	17	33
G'head (2)	WVWV	39	21	12	2	7	42	20	31	18	2	12	4	17	33
H'ndsea (2)	WVWV	39	21	12	2	7	42	20	31	18	2	12	4	17	33
*'ham (11)	WVWVW	41	22	15	2	5	35	27	29	19	3	11	5	25	38
*'ham (15)	WdWVW	39	19	10	4	5	39	25	25	20	3	13	4	19	64
Barrow (17)	WdWV	38	19	7	5	7	34	13	21	19	4	12	2	23	48
Rochdale (17)	WVWV	37	20	7	5	8	28	32	22	19	4	14	1	19	66
Walsall (14)	WdWV	37	19	13	4	3	52	22	29	18	2	10	6	20	61
Mansfield (8)	WVWVW	39	21	11	5	4	32	23	27	18	1	14	3	30	57
S'porth (21)	WVWV	39	18	8	4	6	31	26	22	21	2	17	2	16	58
N. B'ton (16)	WdLWV	40	20	8	4	3	32	30	20	20	1	18	1	20	67
Scottish League		HOME						AWAY							

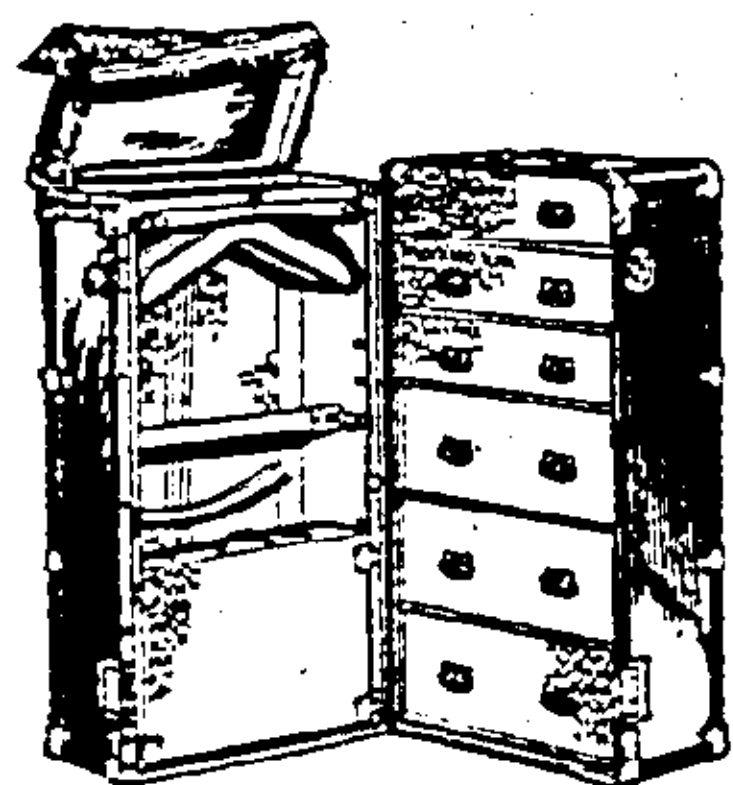
The Choice of the Connoisseur!

White Label
SCOTCH WHISKY
OF GREAT AGE
JAMES WATSON & CO. LTD.
GLASGOW
PERTH

Sole Agents:—
A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

GOING ON LEAVE

?



Then visit our
Trunk & Bag
Department for
finest values in
travelling
requisites.

TRUNK & BAG
DEPARTMENT

Tel. 28151

LANE CRAWFORD LTD.

A WELL-PAID appointment as Accountant, Secretary, Cost Accountant, Office Manager, Shipping Expert, Bank or Insurance Officer, Cashier or Book-keeper is within your reach if you train by post with The School of Accountancy (London), the leading organisation in the British Empire for the building of Successful Business Careers. Write for Free 180p. Book No. 2 "The Direct Way to Success," stating age, education and business experience. The School of Accountancy (London), P. O. B. 999, Hong Kong.

BRITISH MALT,
BRITISH HOPS,
THERE'S NO FAULT
IN **ALLSOPP'S**

SOLE AGENTS:—

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., LTD.
Prince's Building Tel. 20075

G. FALCONER & CO. (HONG KONG) LTD.
WATCHMAKERS, & JEWELLERS,
DIAMOND MERCHANTS.
UNION BUILDING (opposite G.P.O.)
Agents for:—ADMIRALTY CHARTS,
ROSS BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES,
KELVIN'S NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
ENGLISH SILVERWARE Direct from Manufacturers,
High Class English Jewellery.

The China Mail

Ninety-first Year of Publication.

3A Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
Telephone 20022.
London Office:
7, Garrick Street, London, W.C.2

Notice To Contributors.
All communications intended for publication should be addressed to the Editor, and be accompanied by the Writer's Name and Address, not necessarily for insertion, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Subscription Rates.
One Year H.K.\$35.00
6 Months H.K.\$18.00
3 Months H.K.\$9.00
Postage Abroad Extra

Hong Kong, Thursday, April 23, 1936

The Budget

The Chancellor of the Exchequer budgeted for an estimated surplus of £500,000 last year. Actually there was a surplus of nearly £3,000,000, in spite of budgeted supplementary expenditures of £4,000,000 which in fact were swollen to a total of £14,000,000 during the year. This is indeed, in the words of the Chancellor, a wonderful demonstration of the buoyancy of the revenue. And with that record behind him Mr. Chamberlain is surely justified in looking to still further expansion of revenue in the coming year. True, the figure for expenditure is up to £798,000,000, but increased revenues are anticipated from Customs and Excise amounting to £10,500,000, with a further £10,000,000 from income-tax, £10,000,000 from duties on various articles and commodities, and £4,000,000 by the prevention of tax evasion. Further there is another 3d. in the £ on income-tax, and there is to be an increased duty on tea.

Considering that the country is now involved in prodigious commitments for defence purposes, it can congratulate itself that much more drastic demands have not been made on the taxpayer. Indeed, most people will be surprised that so little is asked of him. Labour critics of the budget may be expected, of course, to make the most out of the increased duty on tea and the fact that money is being "thrown away" on armaments. But they should remember that the proposed defence loan is postponed, that the defence programme is being met out of revenue, and that the figure for the debt service is to remain at £224,000,000, a reduction of £51,500,000 in the floating debt having already been made last year.

Altogether the comment of the *Daily Telegraph* and *Financial Times* seems to be most appropriate: that the Chancellor has erred on the side of caution. There is not much sense, either, in talking about what the country might have saved had the armaments programme not been decided upon. The bare truth of the matter is that its commitments in this direction are inevitable and, in the circumstances, extremely moderate. The country knows what it has to pay for increased armaments in the year, and it has been disclosed that it can reasonably afford it. One may deplore the necessity for increased expenditure on the defence services, but only the wilfully obtuse will insist that the necessity is not there. All in all, the budget discloses moderate and cautious treatment. The country should be thankful for small mercies.

St. George For England

To-day is St. George's Day, and St. George is the Patron Saint of England. For 1,400 years there has been controversy as to his merits or demerits, while it has never been satisfactorily explained how he came to be accepted as the patron saint of England, with which country the "Holy Cappadocian" seems to have had absolutely nothing to do. But two of the greatest fighting kings of England, Richard Coeur de Lion and Edward III, took a fancy to him and

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four People Killed Last Week

Four people were killed in traffic accidents reported in the course of the week ended April 18. Two met their death when running across the road, one when walking on the roadway and one in a collision between vehicles.

There were 37 accidents altogether, involving injuries to 12 people. Three were injured when running across the road, three when walking on the roadway, one when appearing from behind another vehicle, two in collisions between vehicles, one in a collision between vehicles also involving damage to property, and two when jumping on or off, or falling off, a vehicle when in motion.

There were no fewer than 23 collisions between vehicles during the week, one of them involving damage to property.

POLISH PREMIER VISITS BUDAPEST

Warsaw, To-day.—It was officially announced yesterday that the Premier, M. Kosciakowski, will arrive this afternoon at Budapest for an official visit which was originally scheduled for last Sunday, but had been cancelled at the last minute. The Premier will remain in the Hungarian capital till next Sunday morning. Trans-Ocean Service.

promoted him to that exalted position. Richard adopted him as his patron saint during the Crusade, and attributed the successes he won to his influence, while Edward III finally enthroned him as the tutelary saint of England, where he now is and where he will remain.

Cynics, in considering the history of St. George, will see analogies which only too well bear out that legend of "perfidy" with which the name of Albion is sometimes associated. St. George was a Cappadocian. There he started business as an army contractor, where he succumbed to the temptation which so often besets the breed. He supplied bad bacon to the army and narrowly escaped from the enraged soldiery who had to eat it. He then reappeared as a tax collector in Constantinople, and as far as records can be trusted, did fairly well for himself. Up to this time he seems to have been qualifying for sainthood by a life of profitable sin. But he then went to Alexandria and there blossomed forth into a saint after the process known as "conversion." Richard's and Edward's championship finally set the seal of approbation on a glamorous career and secured for him a canonisation which stands to this day.

It is extremely improbable that the private lives of any saints will bear any closer scrutiny than that of St. George. Much more to our purpose at the present time is the influence which his patronage has had on the characters of Englishmen and the English nation for centuries. It is characteristic that the patron saint is usually depicted in and associated with his heroic role of slayer of the dragon. There is all the innate chivalry, gallantry, "old-school-tie" character of your Englishman who likes to think himself typical in a nutshell. He is the gallant rescuer of dames, the doughty fighter against fearful odds, the man of action who likes honest beer, who can still be stirred to action, in Chesterton's magnificent line, by the "dim drum's throb on the hill half-heard." The "saint" part of St. George still stands for something, that Englishmen can honour. Long may it continue to do so. St. George for Merrie England!

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Vancouver yesterday afternoon and will leave for Hong Kong on May 2. She is due here on the morning of Friday, May 22, and will leave for Manila the same evening.

Here There and Everywhere

FEW STUDENTS OF JAPANESE

The School of Oriental Studies, opened by King George, in khaki, in 1917, has said farewell to its premises in Finsbury-circus. With it will move to Westminster 40 teachers of about 60 different African and Oriental languages.

The most popular are Arabic, Persian and Chinese. The least popular, last year, were Esk and Isoko, West African languages, each of which had only one pupil. A surprisingly small number of pupils learn Japanese. Last year, out of a total of 424, only 13 were learning Japanese and they were principally Army and Air Force officers. Despite the increasing commercial importance of Japan very few English commercial firms trouble to learn its language, excusing themselves on the ground that it is too difficult.

POET'S SELF-CRITICISM

School and university prize poets usually fade into obscurity in after life. An exception was Rupert Brooke, whose father was a housemaster at Rugby, and who wrote and recited the prize poem there at the age of 18.

An autographed copy of it will be sold in London shortly. On it is written his own criticism of the poem — an exclamation mark. "Such," he writes to Arthur E. Kersley, "is my criticism; I expect yours will agree. But, after all, it is only a prize poem, so be not too severe on it."

In the same sale is the only copy ever offered for public sale of an earlier poem, "The Pyramids," also written and printed at Rugby School.

Your Daily Smile!

Italian soldiers in East Africa who are unable to go home on leave are allowed to be married by proxy. One or two, no doubt, would have preferred the option of going to East Africa by proxy.

We are told by a window dresser that there are scores of ways of making coloured paper attractive. Most girls prefer it cut into tiny pieces and thrown over them.

Getting There

Voice (on the telephone): "Zander! Zander! Z! Z! No, not ST ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ."

STRUGGLES FOR THE RHINE

SEVERAL CENTURIES OF CONFLICT

MANY RACES HAVE STRIVEN FOR CONTROL OF RICH VALLEY

(By Jasper H. Stenbridge)

THE story of the Rhine is one of constant struggles either to establish the river as a boundary or to obtain control of its basin. These conflicts well illustrate the truth that though rivers may suggest themselves as convenient lines for the demarcation of frontiers, yet often they unite rather than divide.

Most of the world's great rivers, such as the desert-bordered Nile of Egypt, the Ganges, and the Hwangho, are natural channels of communication: they form links and not barriers between the peoples living in their valleys. The main objection to the Rhine as a frontier is that if so used it divides a region which forms a natural geographical unit.

The Celts, whose history is familiar to generations of lower-form schoolboys who have made their acquaintance in Caesar's Commentaries, were the first-known people to inhabit the Rhine Valley. But in the centuries immediately preceding the Christian era German tribes, advancing from the east, exerted pressure on these Celtic folk, forcing them across the Rhine and dispossessing them of its valley.

The Roman Road
In the last century B.C. the westward advance of the Germans was stopped by the Romans, who made the Rhine the eastern boundary of Gaul. Later the Romans extended their territories to the east of the river, and built a defensive wall from the right bank of the Rhine, opposite a point midway between Bonn and Coblenz, to Ratisbon (Regensburg), on the Upper Danube.

Under Roman rule, life in the Rhine Valley prospered, and Basle and Strasbourg, Speyer and Mainz, Coblenz and Cologne, all fortified towns on the left bank of the river became important administrative and trading centres. The paved Roman road, running along the left bank and linking these places, echoed to the tramp of the legionaries; merchants travelled to and fro through the valley, and ships sailed up and down the river with their loads.

Those prosperous days passed, and the power of Rome began to wane. By the third century the Romans had been forced to yield the right bank of the Rhine, below its confluence with the Main, to that most virile of all the German tribes, the Franks, whose Saxon brothers occupied the lands somewhat farther to the east.

France's Conquerors
Within a hundred years the Franks had established settlements in what is now Belgium; and by the fifth century had occupied Cologne and driven the Romans from much of their territory to the west of the Rhine. Other Franks crossed the Main at Frankfurt (the ford of the Franks), extending southward up the Rhine, and westward into the basin of Paris, until by the seventh century they had conquered nearly the whole of France.

Charlemagne, the great Frankish ruler and inheritor of the Roman tradition, moved his capital from Paris to Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen), from which base he conquered and converted the Saxons now inhabiting the plain between the Rhine and the Elbe.

So powerful did Charlemagne become that his realm included the whole of France extending over the Pyrenees into Northern Spain; Germany as far east as the Elbe, and from the North Sea south to the Alps; and Italy as far south as Rome. Thus the whole of the Rhine Valley lay within his domains, forming the main channel of communication for his kingdom—a channel not only for trade, but one through which Mediterranean civilisation filtered by way of the Alpine passes, and penetrated northward to lighten that of the Rhine.

Empire Breaks Up
Soon after the death of Charlemagne his Empire broke up, and in 843 his territories were divided into three parts. Those on the west formed the Kingdom of the West Franks—afterwards France; those on the east formed the lands of the East Franks, which were known from the tenth century onwards as Deutschland (Germany). (Continued On Page 10)

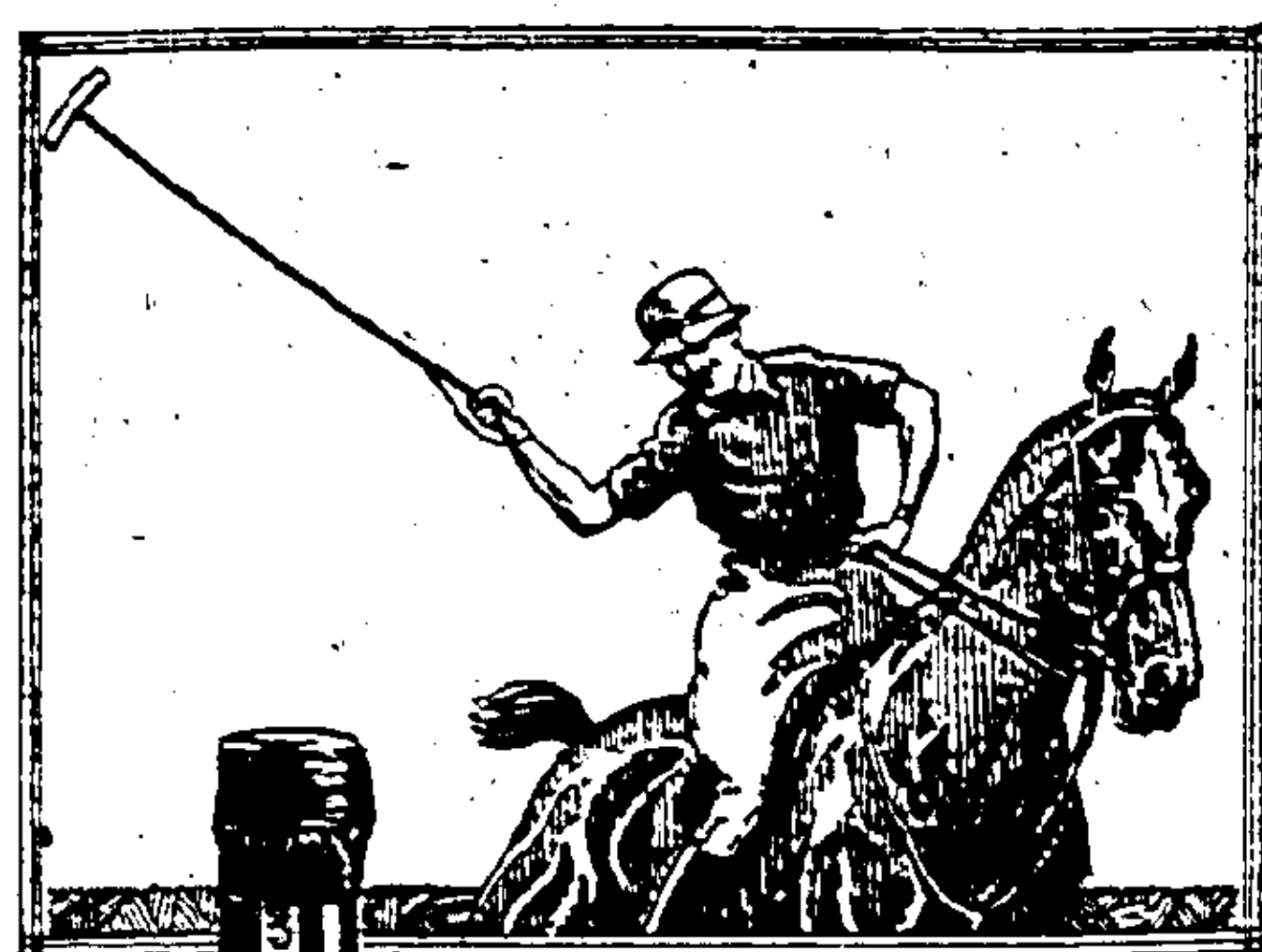
"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

6 GENERATIONS OF THE PATTERSON FAMILY
MRS. FRANCES PATTERSON - 64 YEARS OLD, SAVER, GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILD AN EVEN 20 YEARS SEPARATED ALL THE AGES.

THERE ARE ALWAYS 100 LINKS IN A CHAIN

\$
SIGNATURE OF S. HOLDER, DENVER, COLO.

DWARF APPLE TREE - 3 INCHES HIGH GROWN AN APPLE. Owned by LEE HEAD, CORNELIA, GA.



Quality Tells

Wm. Sanderson & Son, Ltd.
Distillers — LEITH.
Estd 1863

Sole Agents:—

W. R. LONLEY & CO., (CHINA) LTD.

TIES



OF
DISTINCTION
and
GOOD TASTE.

Powell's have ever something new, they are reliable in quality and made to go with the latest colourings in suitings.

Inspection Invited.

WM. POWELL, LTD.

Specialists in Gentlemen's Wear

Stock Exchange Bldg.

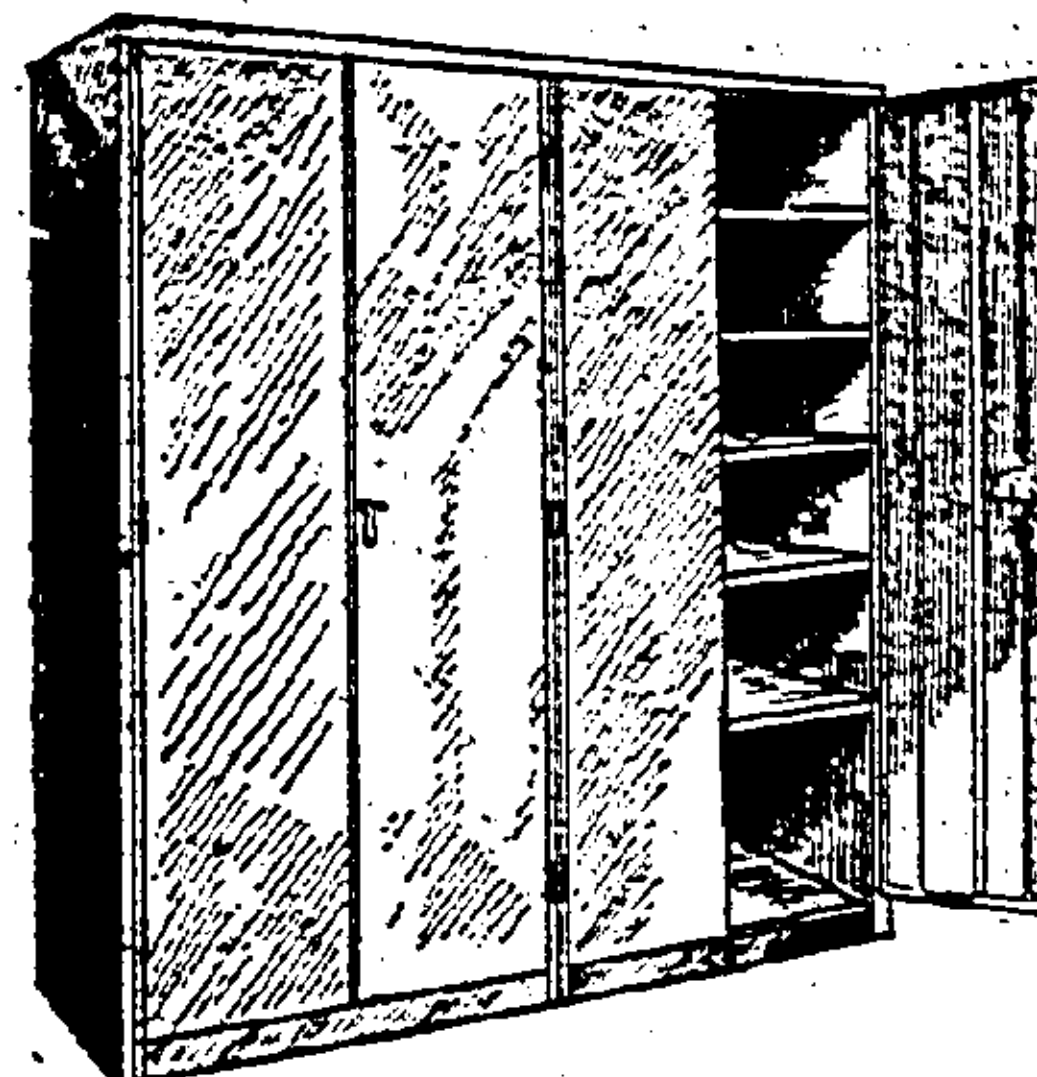
Ice House Street

RONEO

SHELVING WITH DOORS

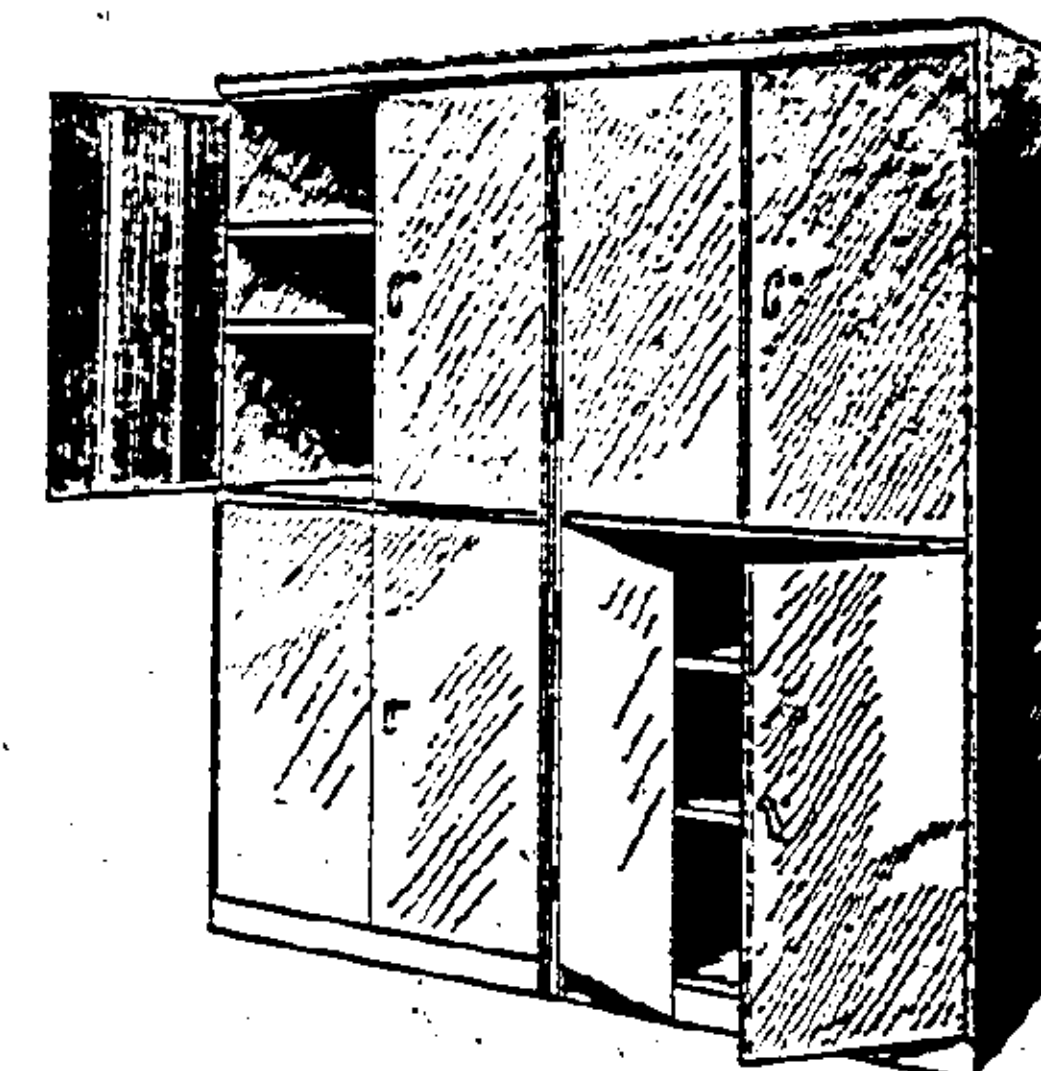
Long Doors

THE Standard Type of Shelving can be provided with pairs of doors, which are supplied hinged in an angle framework ready to bolt to the square bead of the uprights. These doors, which are box re-inforced, are fastened by a three-way bolt secured by a six lever flat key lock. Also end cover panels are provided to attach to the exposed ends of a stack of shelving, giving a flush side and covering up the rows of shelf adjustment holes to exclude dust, as shown in the illustration.



Short Doors

SHORT Doors are primarily intended for Double Tier Shelving but two pairs may be used on a bay of Single Tier Shelving as shown in the illustration.



Sole Agents:—

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT DEPARTMENT

Alexandra Building, Des Voeux Rd. C.

MOUTRIE pianos
now cost less —
but remain
leaders
for quality
and service.

Cash or
Credit terms
supplied on
request.

S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.
CHATER ROAD

ANDY DUCAT'S HOME FOOTBALL FORECAST

EXCLUSIVE TO THE "CHINA MAIL"
(Copyright)

ENGLISH CUP FINAL

FIRST DIVISION	SECOND DIVISION
ASTON VILLA v Blackburn	Barnsley v SOUTHAMPTON
BRENTFORD v West Brom.	BRADFORD C. v Notts Forest
DERBY v Sunderland	Burnley v LEICESTER
EVERTON v Birmingham	CHARLTON v Bradford
H'DERSFIELD v Manchester C.	FULHAM v Swansea
Middlesbro' v Stoke	M'CHESTER U. v Bury
PORTSMOUTH v Grimsby	NEWCASTLE v Blackpool
PRESTON v Leeds	PLYMOUTH v Norwich
Wednesday v Liverpool	Port Vale v WEST HAM
WOLVES v Chelsea	TOTTENHAM v Doncaster

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

ABBROATH v Airdrie
ALBION v Queen's Park
CLYDE v Queen O'S.
D'FERMLINE v Hibernians
Hearts v Aberdeen
Kilmarnock v RANGERS
MOTHERWELL v Dundee
Partick v CELTIC
ST. J'STONE v Hamilton
T. LANARK v Ayr

THIRD DIVISION (South)

B'MOUTH v Swindon
BRISTOL R. v Exeter
CARDIFF v Torquay
CLAPTON v Brighton
CRYSTAL P. v Bristol C.
Gillingham v Aldershot
LUTON v Coventry
Northampton v WATFORD
NOTTS C. v Newport
READING v Millwall
Southend v QUEEN'S P.R.

London, To-day.

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Barrow v TRANMERE
CTERFIELD v Carlisle
CREWE v Mansfield
LINCOLN v Halifax
N. Brighton v Walsall
ROCHDALE v Darlington
SOUTHPORT v Wrexham
STOCKPORT v Hartlepool
YORK v Gateshead

These fixtures are supplied by Reuters. Teams in capital letters are favoured to win.

We manufacture every type of Reed Organ . . . from the handy portable to full scale Two Manual Instruments.

Every "MOUTRIE" Organ is guaranteed to give satisfactory service under the most trying climatic conditions.

Catalogue and terms on request.

S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.
CHATER ROAD

AT "HOME" OR "AWAY"
ALWAYS A SAFE BET



ONE QUALITY EVERYWHERE

**WHITE HORSE
WHISKY**

Sole Agents:— JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.



**HENNESSY
BRANDY**

is noted for
DELIGHTFUL BOUQUET . . .
MELLOW SMOOTHNESS . . .
RICH ROUND FLAVOUR . . .



OBTAINABLE AT ALL
STORES AND HOTELS

Sole Agents:—
L. RONDON & CO., LTD.

Sold by Leading Compradores.

**Brooke
Bond
Tea**

THE TEA WITH GARDEN FRESHNESS

Agents: DAVIE, BOAG & CO., LTD.

LAWN BOWLS SEASON OPENS SATURDAY

WELL-KNOWN STARS ON HOME LEAVE RECREIO'S DUAL CHALLENGE

(By "Ubique")

NEXT Saturday will see the commencement of the 1936 Lawn Bowls League season and everything points to as successful a year as its predecessors. The weather during the last week-end was ideal and, whilst "Green Rangers" must have been sighing desperately for a real down-pour, the players had little to complain of. I have not been able to see all the greens, but the Recreio, Football Club and Bowling Green all look exceptionally good.

I would particularly stress the Football Club because of the controversy there was last year in regard to this green. Possibly at the beginning of the season it was in the best condition, but I do know that at the end of 1935 Jimmy Munro and his team from Shanghai expressed the opinion that it was the best rink on which they played.

Craigengower, last year's champions, despite the loss of Bradbury and Beer, should be very strong. It will be very interesting to see how they fill these places. Possibly the old Arculli-Omar combination will work again, and then of course they have an old skip in Dick Bass, should they decide to play him as such. There is such a wealth of talent in this Club that the loss of the two "B's," serious though it is, should not unduly affect their chances.

Recreio, who gave Craigengower a fright last season, particularly in the early stages, appear to be in a state of "as you were" in regard to their team. The experience gained by their younger players should stand them in good stead, and I think they will be somewhere near the top at the conclusion.

The Bowling Green will hardly be recognisable. Of last year's senior players, Budding, Brown, Petherick and Tetley will be at Home. Neither Nish nor Farrell are playing this year, I believe, whilst Drake has been observed skipping what is apparently a Second division rink. That leaves but five of last year's team, and of these Meyer is definitely handicapped with a "gummy" leg. Randle, the winning skip at Wanstead, Willie Macfarlane, Watson and Bobbie Hall are back, but that still leaves three at least, and possibly four, places to fill.

As the Bowling Green Club won the junior division very comfortably last season, it should not be very difficult to fill the vacancies, but until it is seen how this is to be accomplished one cannot speculate on the Club's chances.

Inexplicable Positions

The Kowloon Cricket Club and the Police, quite frankly, I cannot understand. The former, for some unknown reason, simply could not get going in 1935, and yet, they had sufficient good players to take them to the top of the League. I am hoping they will commence with a good "blend" this year. If they do so, I am confident they will do much better than they did last season.

The Police seem to be particularly fortunate inasmuch as only two of their first team will be at Home. Post and Moss are two excellent bowlers and their loss is considerable, but, nevertheless, things look bright for the guardians of the law and they should improve on last year's record.

Kowloon Dock manfully struggle with a total bowling strength of just over double figures—they never know until about Friday at the earliest what team they will be able to play. Several of their players and reserves have left the Colony for Home and their task will be even more arduous. That they performed so well last season is a matter for congratulation, and nothing would please me better than to see them get rather more than their normal shares of success and thus reward them for their persistence.

C.S.C.C. Facing Crisis

The Civil Service C. C. are in a critical state. Armstrong, Simmonds, Eccleshall, Alderman and Deakin will be at Home. Grimmit, I understand, has at long last retired, while I believe Jones will only be available for the first half of the season. The players, who have returned to Hong Kong are few, and they will be hard put to field two teams this season. It is to their credit that they have arranged to do so, however, and, as with the Docks, I hope a measure of success will be their reward.

The Indian Recreation Club will have little or no changes from last year, and here, as in the case of Recreio, the experience of last year should be of great value, especially to their younger players. I anticipate a good season for this Club.

Taikoo's Comeback

After an absence of a season spent in the junior division, Taikoo R.C. will return to their normal place in the premier league. I always thought it wrong that this extremely useful team, with its wonderful past record, should, of its own volition, have gone into the junior division. It was only the all-round brilliance of the Bowling Green juniors last year which prevented them winning this section, and I look forward to their play this season with interest.

I feel confident that Craigengower "A" and Recreio will be well up the table when the season finishes. I am reluctant to comment on the Bowling Green, but I think the K.C.C., I.R.C., and Police will improve on their 1935 records.

The Junior Division

Last year's champions, the Bowling Green Club, like their first team, have to make many changes apart from those who may be "promoted" to the seniors. Waterton, Duncan (L.A.R.), Hale and Charlton will be at Home, while there is some doubt about others being able to play. As mentioned earlier it looks as though Drake will be skipping here—he was a very successful skip a couple of seasons ago—whilst Thompson and Rose, last year's skips, are again available. Until one knows what is to happen as regards the senior team, one cannot gauge the real strength of the team, but with their all-year-round play and the talent at their disposal, I can see that it is going to be very difficult to dislodge them from their proud position.

The Recreio, with all last year's players apparently available, should do very well. They only failed by a "shots-up" margin to be the runners-up in 1935 and, with Taikoo promoted, I contemplate this team being the most serious challengers to the K.B.G.C.

Football Club's Two Teams

The Football Club—with commendable courage—have entered two teams. Three good players in Tuck, Brooksbank and Alec Macfarlane will be away, but amongst others who have returned there are Robertson and Shaw, whilst I believe that Jack Rodger will be playing for them. I can see a nicely balanced team for their "A" side, and I anticipate they will improve considerably on their 1935 performance.

Like their seniors the K.C.C. displayed very in and out form last year. They defeated Recreio twice, and any team that could do that was good enough to win the championship, and yet they were not in the running! Here again it seems to be a question of getting a good "blend."

The Civil Service is quite an

6 MONTHS' HARD LABOUR

Wounding Charge At The Sessions

LUCKY HE IS NOT DEAD

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed on Lau Chun, a street coolie, at the Criminal Sessions this morning when the jury found him guilty on a charge of unlawfully wounding or causing grievous bodily harm to Tung Hoi, an assistant hawk-er, at No. 28 Amoy Street on February 4, last. A verdict of not guilty was returned in respect of the charge of wounding with intent.

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Lindsell, heard the case, while the following jury was empanelled: Messrs. A. Becker (foreman), R. Woo, Woo Wing-chow, Ho Chow, Un King-sang, C. Ju York-sun and F. M. Brito.

Case Outlined

In giving an outline of the case, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, who conducted the case for the Crown, said that the victim, Tong Hoi, was an assistant to a woman hawk-er, while the accused was a street coolie who had been a sub-tenant of the woman's for the past 10 years. He had always been regular with his rent until about four months ago, when he stopped paying her the money. On the evening of February 3, the woman told him to leave the premises and he replied that he would do so the following morning, but said nothing to indicate that he was annoyed.

Continuing, Mr. Williams said that on the following morning the woman and Tong Hoi went into the kitchen to get a pot of congee when they saw the accused standing in the doorway. On their way out the woman walked first and then she heard a noise, and on looking back she saw Tong Hoi lying on the ground with a crowbar beside him. The accused had by this time disappeared.

Gives Himself Up

On the same day, Mr. Williams said, the accused went to the No. 2 Police Station, where he made a report to the effect that he had hit Tong Hoi on the head and killed him. A constable was sent to the address given by the man and there found Tong Hoi in a very serious condition. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital where he was detained.

When charged at the No. 2 Police Station, accused said: "I did wound him. I came to the station and made a report," and at the Lower Court proceedings, he (Cont. at Foot of Next Col.)

unknown quantity, but I wish them the best of luck with what must of necessity be an experimental side.

The Yacht Club have not such a wealth of talent that they can afford to lose any, but they will lack the services of Archbutt, an excellent No. 1, as exemplified against Shanghai last year, and Selby, who, I gather, is appearing for the Football Club. I can't see this team as serious challengers for the premier position, but they will enjoy their games as much as ever.

Electric Losses

Hong Kong Electric I know little about. De Rome, a last year's regular, will be at Home, but Lunny—another Wanstead stalwart—will be back. I know, however, the raising of a team is occasionally a difficult task with this happy crowd and I therefore cannot see them ending up in a leading position.

The Police were a very disappointing team last year, winning but half a dozen matches. Their combination suggested a much better result than this. Perhaps last year's experience will benefit them.

Craigengower, despite being a third string, did some good things in 1935. They defeated the Bowling Green—a meritorious performance—and amassed the amazing total of 93 shots against the Civil Service. A number of their players were veritable griffins at the game and because of this I anticipate they will do considerably better this year.

In this division, therefore, I can see the Bowling Green, Recreio and K.C.C. being concerned in the fight for premier positions, although I think serious challengers will be Craigengower and the Football Club.

To-day's Complete Short Story

THE FATAL FLASH

LIGHTNING spat across the black pit of the sky, showing up in bold relief the jagged outline of the hills. The roar of the electrical discharges was deafening. It was the worst storm that Glamorgan-shire had experienced for many years.

A particularly vivid flash appeared to strike the road which wound through the hills from Cardiff towards Holyhead. A large car which was moving slowly along swerved violently and then pulled up. The young man at the wheel lifted an arm to protect his eyes.

"Blessed if that didn't half blind me, chief," he said to his companion. "Hullo! a funny smell, too. Sulphur and ozone mixed!" "Which means a bolt fell near us, Tommy," the lean-faced man in the passenger seat said quietly. "We haven't much to fear, however, and if you can stand the dazzle we'll drive on."

"No fear of being hit?" "Hardly any. We're safer than people in houses. You forget the tyres which insulate us."

Tommy Burko looked doubtfully at the lightning playing across the peaks of the hills. Then he let in the clutch and drove on at a slow pace. Reaching the top of a hill he saw a small town nestled below. "Perinth," he said, naming the place. "What was the name of the inn where we had to meet Mervin?"

Dixon Hawke took a letter from his pocket. It was because of that brief note the famous detective and his assistant were driving into the wilds of Wales.

It had arrived only that morning, and was from a young scientist

DEBATE ON THE BUDGET

Vigorous Criticism Voiced

INEFFECTIVE FOREIGN POLICY

London, To-day.

When the debate on the budget resolution was resumed in the House of Commons last evening the criticism of the Labour Opposition was voiced by Mr. Pethick Lawrence, who said he doubted whether in peace time any budget statement so staggering in its future outlook had ever been presented. Additional taxes were being imposed, despite the natural increase of revenue of £30,000,000 in the past year and of £20,000,000 in the Chancellor's anticipations for the present year.

The cost to be incurred for defence was not, in the opinion of the Labour Party, due to circumstances over which Government had had no control, but was largely due to the wholly ineffective foreign policy the Government had pursued over the course of years. Mr. Lawrence warned the Chancellor that the grave departure from the sound principles of finance foreshadowed in his admission that he would have to consider meeting the bill for defence reorganisation by borrowing, would not pass unchallenged if and when it should arise.

DISCLOSURE DEMANDED

For the Liberals, Sir Archibald Sinclair, who reminded the House that £1,000,000,000 had been spent on defence in the last 10 years, said that the Government had done much by way of omission to provoke and aggravate the international situation, upon which they now sought to throw the blame for the swelling expenditure and increased taxation. The House had the right to ask for a disclosure of the whole expenditure involved in the Government's new defence programme.

In the subsequent debate, which continued, back-bench supporters of the Government generally commended the budget proposals and recognised the wisdom and necessity of provision for the defence programme by an increase of income-tax to 4/9d. in the pound. The reply for the Government was made by the Financial Secretary, Mr. W. S. Morrison. The Chancellor will wind up the debate to-night.

British Wireless Service.

said, in the course of his evidence, "it is lucky he is not dead, but I am unlucky as I shall have to go to gaol."

After retiring for a short interval the jury returned the verdict stated above.

whom Hawke had known for some years. David Mervin had been out of employment, but recently had found a post as assistant at a private laboratory.

On the few occasions that Hawke had seen Mervin since then he had been very enthusiastic about his employer, who appeared to be a fatherly old fellow. The letter had come as a shock.

The detective read it over again after giving Tommy the name of the hotel where they were to meet the scientist.

"If you can come up and see me," Mervin had written, "I feel sure that you could help. I am not a nervous man, but for some reason I am frightened."

Professor Prothero is proving a great mystery, and the work he is doing does not justify an assistant. Yet he has been like a father, and recently took out an annuity and life-insurance for me. I am like a child afraid of the dark!"

Hawke folded the letter and replaced it in his pocket. He looked up quickly as the sky seemed to split open and another broad stab of lightning lit up the countryside.

Again the car pulled up. Tommy was peering through the windshield, which was so smudged with rain that it was not possible to see more than thirty feet ahead. The young fellow lowered the side window and looked out.

"Chief," he said briefly, "there's something in the road."

He pointed to a dark mass huddled just out of range of the headlights. At that distance it was impossible to see what the object was. Hawke and his assistant turned up the collars of their coats against the rain and ran forward to investigate.

The detective gave a sharp cry. A man sprawled over the crown of the road. He wore a mackintosh, but even with that shrouding him it could be seen that his body was contorted in the most extraordinary manner.

"Tied up into a knot," Tommy said. "Must have been struck by lightning."

He helped Hawke to turn the body over. By the stiffness of the limbs they knew that the unfortunate fellow was dead. Tommy cried out when he saw the face which was turned up to the lightning flashes.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

"The Scottish Express Tragedy," another adventure of Dixon Hawke.

"Mervin! Chief—it's Mervin!"

Hawke knelt by the body of his friend. Death had taken place about an hour before. Some fearful shock had struck the man down. The mouth was open and the tongue was curled back. The eyes were wide and bulged in an unnatural manner.

The hair, when Hawke touched it, crackled under his fingers with a discharge of bluish sparks.

"Lightning all right," Tommy said. "It must have been that bolt which caused me to stop the car a mile or two back. Poor old Mervin! He was on his way down to the town to meet us. Prothero's house must be that big dark place over there on the hill."

Hawke was examining the body with great care. Lifting the right arm he stared in surprise at an oblong mark on the wrist. It was about three inches long, and was like a severe burn.

"A curious way for lightning to strike," he said.

There was a bump on the side of Mervin's head which the detective also found puzzling. It did not appear to have been caused by a fall.

As he was finishing his examination Tommy called to him from the side of the road. He found his assistant standing by a tall tree, which had been split from top to bottom as if by an axe. The wood was blackened and charred.

"Here's where the bolt struck," Tommy said. "Mervin must have been standing under the tree and got the discharge."

"If lightning struck the tree," Hawke said, "he would have been safe, except for falling branches. Lightning follows the easiest course to the earth. It would not have branched off from such a perfect conductor as a tree to strike a man standing nearby. Mervin received a direct hit."

He walked back to the body. Then, with a cry of amazement, he dropped to his knees and lifted the dead man's feet one after the other. "Jove, what a fool I was not to see this before!" he said. "Look, Tommy—he was wearing rubber soles and heels!"

"Chief! You mean that—?"

"This heavy vulcanised rubber, like a car tyre, completely insulated him. Although lightning might have struck it would not have killed Mervin. A perfect non-conductor to any electrical discharge—and yet he was killed by such a discharge. Tommy, he did not die by lightning, and the fact that we found him near that bolt-struck tree makes it decidedly peculiar. It's as if somebody wanted us to believe he had been struck. In fact, I am sure that the average Coroner would have passed such a verdict."

Hawke felt the dead man's

POPULAR FAVOURITES COLUMBIA

- C 205.—Pourquoi Rever Lucienne
- Mais Si Tu Pars.
- C 222.—Sous Le Ciel D'Afrique Josephine
- Espabilite
- C 227.—The Music goes round and round E.B.C. Dance Or
- The Broken record.
- C 226.—The Lady in red Midnight Melody Boys
- Muchacha.
- C 225.—None but the weary heart Albert Sandler & Orch.
- Hassan Serenade.
- C 211.—Blue Danube waltz Debroy Somers Band
- Vienna Blood.
- C 204.—Samoa love song Andy Iona and Islanders
- Nohea I Muolau Lani.
- C 225.—Who's Who at Whipsnade Animal Entertainers
- C 220.—Parade of Parades Quentin Maclean Organ

THE ANDERSON MUSIC CO., LTD.
Tel. 21322. Ice House Street.

AT THE LIDO —REPULSE BAY

TEA DANCE ON SUNDAY

26TH APRIL, 1936

FROM 5 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT
WEATHER THE DANCE
WILL FUNCTION AT THE
REPULSE BAY HOTEL

(HONG KONG REALTY & TRUST CO., LTD.)

TRY ONE BOTTLE

THAT WILL CONVINCING YOU
OF THE MERITS OF

ST. GEORGE'S GIN



It costs less than other
gins of like excellence

HIGH IN QUALITY— —LOW IN PRICE

Obtainable from all leading Hotels, Clubs, Stores and
Compradores or by Phoning 25913.

Local Agents:

MAISON, F. MATHIEU, Ste. Ame.

"We've had an hour's solid rain," he said. "Poor Mervin could only have been here a short time. He must have left the house about twenty minutes ago."

"Shall we go up to the house and telephone the police, chief?"

"The wires are down. Don't you see the mess that shattered tree made? I'll help you put the body in the car. Drive down to the town."

"And you?"

(Continued On Page 10)



NEXT SAILINGS

To Shanghai "Conte Verde" 18th Apr.
To Italy "Conte Verde" 26th Apr.

SPECIAL RETURN TICKETS

Validity 100 days at greatly reduced cost allowing of 24 months stay in Europe. Special concessions to 1st and 2nd class travellers to London.

Fares to Venice, Trieste, Genoa and Return. £182, £88, £56.

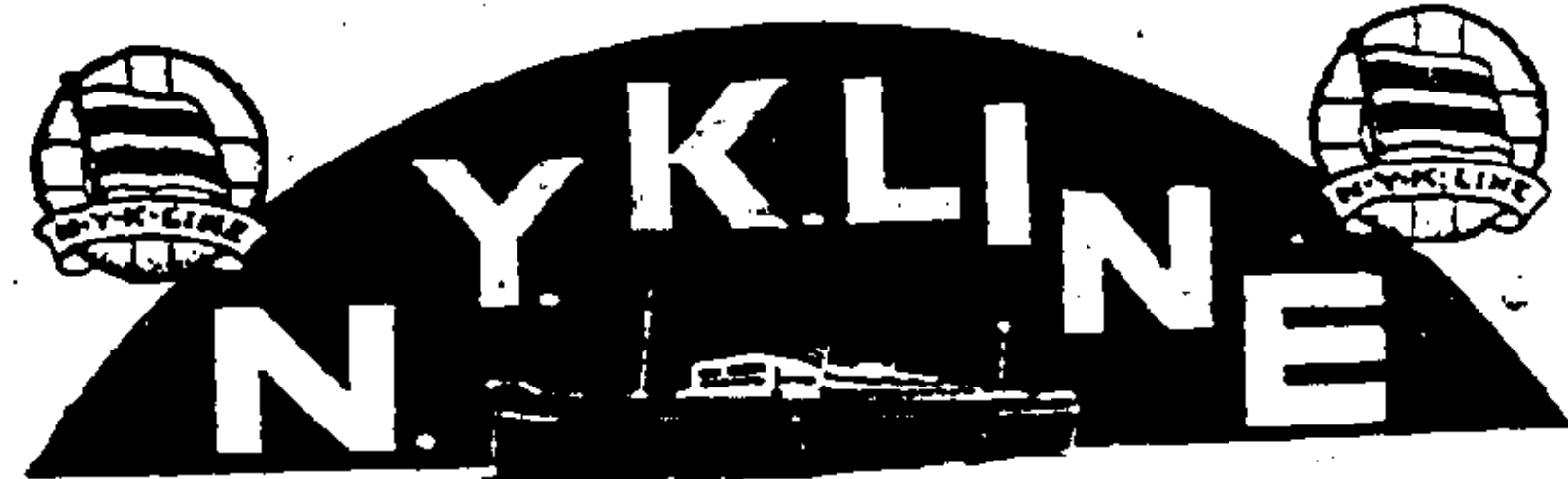
Special Two Months' Round Trip Tickets At Reduced Rates

To BOMBAY	£4	£25	£21
.. COLOMBO	£41	£22	£19
.. SINGAPORE	£18	£13	£11
.. SHANGHAI	£12	£9	£6

ROUND THE WORLD tickets issued at Special Reduced Rates in connection with all the Trans-Pacific & Trans-Atlantic Conference Lines. ITALY & COSULICH LINES Agents for the sale of through and independent tickets to North, Central and South American ports via Italy. THROUGH TICKETS TO LONDON—23 days—Special facilities for despatch by train of heavy baggage with liberal free allowance. INTERCHANGEABLE RETURN TICKETS with the Dollar Lines on very favourable conditions.

LLOYD TRIESTINO

P.O. Box 143, Tel. Addr. "Lloydiano"—Telephones Nos. 32962/3.
Canton Agents:—DODWELL & CO., LTD., Shamceen.



General Passenger Agents in the Orient for

Cunard White Star Line

SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports and Honolulu.
ASAMA MARU Wednesday, 6th May
TAYO MARU Wednesday, 24th May
SEATTLE & VANCOUVER
HIYE MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 1st June
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM.
TERUKUNI MARU Friday, 24th Apr.
HAKUSAN MARU Saturday, 9th May
HARUNA MARU Saturday, 23rd May
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.
KAMO MARU Saturday, 25th Apr.
*NEPTUNA MARU (Calls Saigon) Saturday, 2nd May
KITANO MARU Saturday, 23rd May
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
*MAYEASHI MARU Tuesday, 28th Apr.
*TSUSEIMA MARU Thursday, 7th May
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
RAKUYO MARU Wednesday, 13th May
NEW YORK via Panama.
*NOSHIO MARU Sunday, 3rd May
*NARUTO MARU Friday, 22nd May
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa and Valencia.
*TOYOOKA MARU Friday, 15th May
HUMBURG via Jubuti, Port Said, Alexandria, London.
KASHI MARU Sunday, 3rd May
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
*TOKUSIMA MARU Thursday, 30th Apr.
*TSUSEIMA MARU Thursday, 7th May
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA.
*KATORI MARU Saturday, 25th Apr.
*KASHI MARU Saturday, 9th May
*YASUKUNI MARU Wednesday, 20th May
*Barns Philip Line, Joint passenger Agents, Gibb Livingston & Co.
*Cargo Only

TELEPHONE 30291



SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

JAVA	Erie Maru	Tues., 28th Apr.
FOR JAVA		
NEW YORK via Japan, Los Angeles and Panama. Call Direct at Cristobal, Puerto Colombia, Boston Philadelphia and Baltimore	Nankai Maru ... Sat., 25th Apr. Hokuroku Maru ... Sat., 10th May	
RIO-DE-JANEIRO, SANTOS, MONTVIDEO & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Colombo Durban, and Cape Town	Laplatá Maru ... Thurs., 23rd Apr. Buenos Aires M. ... Sun., 24th May	
WOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DARES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, ALGOA BAY, CAPE TOWN & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Singapore & Colombo	Arizona Maru ... Mon., 4th May Arabia Maru ... Fri., 5th May	
BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Iwatsubo Maru ... Tues., 5th May Karachi Maru ... Fri., 8th May	
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli, and Rangoon	Havre Maru ... Sat., 2nd May	
JAPAN via Takao & Keelung	Canada Maru ... Fri., 15th May	
KEELUNG via Swatow and Amoy	Hozan Maru ... Thurs., 23rd Apr. Hongkong Maru ... Sun., 26th Apr. Canton Maru ... Sun., 3rd May	
TAKAO via Swatow and Amoy	Fukuen Maru ... Thurs., 14th May	

For Further Particulars Please apply to:—
OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA,
Telephone 28661

STRUGGLES FOR THE RHINE

(Continued from Page 8)

Between these two States was established the Middle Kingdom of Lotharingia, which included the Lower Rhine, the valleys of the Meuse and the Rhone, and the plain of the Po and Central Italy. Split up by the Alps, the Jura and other uplands, it had no real centre, and its length was quite out of proportion to its breadth. It was racially neither wholly French nor wholly German, but rather a mixture of both. Its main advantage was that through it ran the great highway from Aix-la-Chapelle to Milan and Rome, which formed, in times when roads were few, a most important route. But the life of the Middle Kingdom was short. It only lasted 27 years. In 870 it was divided, the greater part passing to Germany, whose boundary with France lay west of the Meuse, and thus a considerable distance west of the Rhine.

Haunting Ghost

What would have been the effect on the subsequent history of Europe if Lotharingia had survived?

The ghost of the Middle Kingdom has haunted the rulers of both France and Germany. It has beckoned the French eastward across the Rhine; it has urged the Germans westward. Its influence was felt in 1870, and again in 1914, and this influence still troubles Europe in 1936.

From the tenth to the fourteenth centuries the valley of the Middle Rhine, with its genial climate and fertile soil, was the heart of medieval Germany. Across this lowland dotted with towns, and villages set amidst wheat fields and pastures, hopgardens and orchards, flowed the majestic Rhine. Beyond on either side rose steep hills, whose terraced vineyards, merging above into belts of dark green pine, were broken here and there by the grim walls of castles which from their frowning crags looked down upon the smiling plain.

Centres Of Traffic

The most important part of the valley was that portion in the north, lying between Speyer, Worms and Mainz on the Rhine, and Frankfurt placed a little to the west upon the Main. This northern region was a meeting-place of roads.

To the east ways led by the Main and Neckar Valleys to the Danube, and thence across the Brenner Pass to the head of the Adriatic Sea. From Strasbourg, a westward way through the Lorraine Gate, between the Vosges and the Ardennes, led to Paris and its basin; while other routes continued north, down the great natural highway of the Rhine to Cologne and Flanders.

And along these ways, from east and west and south and north, came merchants with laden pack-horses, some bringing goods from Italy and the Mediterranean; others travelling to and from the great fairs of France and Flanders; or to the Hanseatic ports strung along the Baltic shore. And along these roads too came nobles with their retinues, princes of the Church, friars, and bands of humble scholars. No wonder that such towns as Frankfurt prospered and grew in importance.

French In Control

Those days of Germany's medieval glory faded. During the Thirty Years' War (1618-1648), when much of the country was reduced to a depopulated waste, France, under Louis XIII, took advantage of the warfare in her neighbour's territories to push her frontier eastward to the Rhine. Louis XIV. and subsequent revolutionary Governments continued this frontier policy. Later Napoleon extended it swept up the Rhine Valley and founded the Confederation of the Rhine Provinces on the east side of the river. Thus for a short space France obtained control of the valley.

Napoleon's triumph was short lived, and after Waterloo the Congress of Vienna established the Rhine, from Basle northward to the Lauter (a left-bank tributary) as the Franco-German frontier.

By defeating France in the Franco-Prussian War of 1870 the Prussians acquired Alsace and Lorraine, and thus once more the Middle Rhine became wholly German territory. The Treaty of Versailles, restoring to France her lost provinces, again made part of the Rhine the Franco-German

The Fatal Flash

(Continued from Page 9)

"I'm going to pay a call on Professor Prothero," Dixon Hawke said quietly. "Perhaps a scientist can explain to me how a man with rubber soles can be killed by lightning!"

He watched the tail light of the car disappear down the hill, and then made his way towards the dark house on the hill.

As Dixon Hawke drew near he saw that the house was one of those ancient piles, half castle, half manor, which are to be found amongst the Welsh hills. Some petty chieftain had built the place. A massive door, studded with iron bolts and further protected by a wrought-iron gate, formed the entrance.

The house was very isolated. Although the town of Penrith was less than two miles away, it was hidden by a low spur of the hills.

The wind drove the rain with an uninterrupted force against the old mansion. The lightning seemed to play across the gray-slatted roof. The storm was getting worse, and Hawke hurried to pull the chain of the bell.

He heard a clanging far away, but it was a long time before footsteps answered the ring. Bolts were withdrawn, and then the door swung inward. The tall figure of a man appeared holding above his head a smoking oil-lamp.

"Well, well, Mervin!" the man began. "You were certainly caught."

He stopped and held the lamp close to the bars of the gate which still blocked Hawke's entrance. The detective saw a pale, bearded face. A pair of strange, dark eyes met his own in a quick, suspicious glance.

"A stranger!" the man said sharply. "Well?"

"Professor Prothero?"

"That is my name, sir."

"I have some bad news for you."

"Bad news? I don't understand. Wait a moment, my dear sir, and I will let you in. Bad news? Dear me, what can it be?"

The gate was opened at last, and Hawke entered a stone-flagged hall. The few pieces of ancient furniture only added to the coldness of the great vaulted chamber. Hawke turned to face the Professor, who was staring at him anxiously.

"Your assistant," he said gently, "has met with an accident."

"Mervin? Ah, I can see by your face that it's something terrible. Let me put down the lamp. The lights are fused by the storm. Ah, how my hand trembles. Excuse me, sir. I am an old man. Mervin was like a son to me."

"He is dead!" Hawke said quietly.

"Dead?"

Professor Prothero let out a most frightful cry, and would have fallen if the detective hadn't put out an arm to support him. Slowly he recovered, and his hand closed on the detective's wrist in a grip of surprising strength.

"What killed him?" he demanded. "The lightning? There was a bolt which struck near here a short time ago, but surely Mervin could not have been hit by that. He left the house nearly an hour gone by. He was going to meet a friend. Are you that friend?"

"Yes, professor, and I found poor Mervin's body as I was motoring this way. There was every sign of him having been killed by a powerful electrical discharge."

"Then it was the bolt. I told him not to go out. I told him he'd be struck. So many people are killed by lightning."

"I was under the impression that was a fallacy," Hawke said. "I believe official figures prove that a man has one chance in 240,000 of being hit."

"You seem to know a great deal," Professor Prothero muttered, combing his beard with his fingers. "What have you done with the body?"

"I sent it into town to the police."

"The police! Surely there is nothing mysterious about this dreadful end to the poor young man?"

"There was. Although apparently killed by lightning, he wore rubber-soled shoes, and that insulation had in no way broken down. I hoped that you would help me, professor, and explain how it was possible for him to be struck under those circumstances. Also I am trying to find out what caused an oblong burn on his wrist."

Prothero was silent for nearly a minute. Then he lifted the lamp and peered closely at the detective. "This must be looked into," he agreed. "Come to my study. It's much more comfortable than this cold hall."

He shuffled to the door and stared up at an electric light meter on the wall.

"The storm blew the fuses," he said. "I can replace them if you'll hold the light. We need light! The house is full of shadows without it."

He took out the main fuse and replaced it with another that he had in his pocket.

At the touch of a switch, lights blazed. The professor led the way to his study, a comfortable room off the hall. He sank wearily into a chair.

"Mervin dead. I can't believe it. He was a son to me. In fact, I had every intention of leaving him my money when I die."

"He wrote me that you had been so kind as to take out an annuity and insurance policy for him," Hawke nodded. "I am well aware how deeply you must feel."

Glancing up swiftly, he saw a troubled look cross the professor's face. The man stood up and began to walk the floor with long, nervous strides. He stopped suddenly and swung round.

"What is your name, sir? Your face seems familiar to me."

"The newspapers appear to consider me worthy of an occasional photograph, professor. My name is Hawke."

"Dixon Hawke! The detective!" Prothero's bushy eyebrows met in a sudden frown. Hawke saw him nervously opening and closing his powerful hands. He looked across the room at a closed door, took a half-step towards it, turned away suddenly.

Outside the storm was working up to fresh fury, and vivid flashes of lightning played beyond the curtained windows. A shutter was banging somewhere in the wind.

"I'd better secure that," the man muttered. "Excuse me a moment, Mr. Hawke."

He hurried from the room, but hardly had his footsteps died away down the stone-flagged hall than the criminologist was on his feet. He made for the door at which he had seen Prothero glancing in that uneasy fashion.

It was not locked, and Hawke nodded when he saw a laboratory had been fitted up in the room beyond. There were benches bearing racks of chemical retorts and odd pieces of electrical apparatus. At one end of the room was a glass-topped table, which had recently been cleared. Retorts and bottles were on the floor nearby.

(Continued on Page 11)

LLOYD TRIESTINO

(Flotte Riunite Lloyd Triestino, Marittima Italiana E "Sitar")

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Motor Vessel

"FUSIJAMA"

From TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, SUEZ, MASSA, ADEN, KARACHI BOMBAY, COLOMBO, SINGAPORE, PENANG & BATAVIA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 8th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 29th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Godard & Douglas in the presence of Consignees concerned.

Consular Invoices, or other proofs, required in connection with Government Notification No. 887 of 1935, should be filed with the Superintendent of Imports and Exports through this office without delay.

In the case of dutiable cargo, consignees are requested to inform the Imports and Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

LLOYD TRIESTINO
Queen's Building,
Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1936.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

WORLD'S
GREATEST
TRAVEL
SYSTEM

EMPRESS OF JAPAN

SAILS FOR

VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN & HONOLULU

AT NOON — FRIDAY, MAY 1ST

	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Nagasaki	Kobe	Yokohama	Honolulu	Vancouver
Leave	Arrive	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
E/Japan	May 1	May 3		May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23		June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 1	June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20		June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28		July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18		July 27
E/Canada	July 24	July 26		July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12
E/Russia	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15		Aug. 24
E/Japan	Aug. 21	Aug. 23		Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 3	Sept. 8

TO MANILA

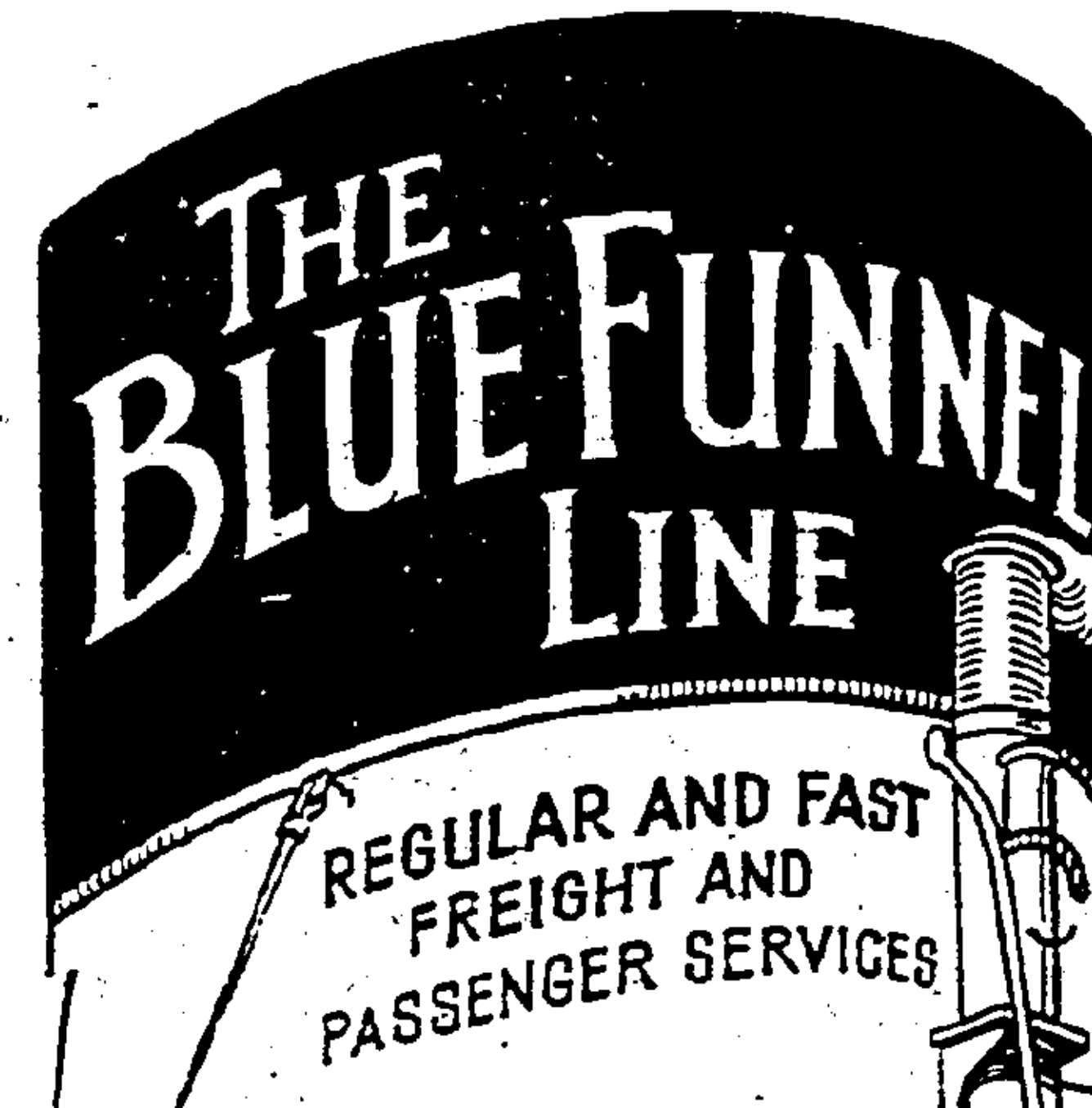
EMPRESS OF JAPAN at 5 P.M. APR. 24
EMPRESS OF ASIA MAY 7
EMPRESS OF CANADA MAY 22

For Information Apply To Your Own Agent Of

CANADIAN PACIFIC

HONG KONG

TEL 20752



LONDON SERVICE

ACHILLES Sails 29 Apr. Casablanca, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.
AENEAS Sails 5 May for Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, & Glasgow.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

AUTOMEDON Sails 1 May for Havre, Liverpool and Bromborough.

NEW YORK SERVICE

GLAUCUS Sails 4 July for Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore via Manila, Batavia, Straits, and Cape of Good Hope.

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via KOBE NAGOYA & YOKOHAMA)
TALITHYBUS Sails 23 Apr. for Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle.

INWARD SERVICE

SARPEDON Due 25 Apr. from U.S. via Straits.
PROTESILAUS Due 1 May from Europe via Straits.
PERSEUS Due 4 May from U.K. via Straits.

Specially reduced fares are quoted for cargo steamers with limited passenger accommodation.

For freight, passage rates and information apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Tel. 30333.

1, Connaught Road, C.

TRAVEL A.-O. LINE

To AUSTRALIA. Calling at Manila (P. I.), Thursday 1st, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.

BRITISH STEAMERS: CHANGTE - TAIPING (monthly)

FASTEST and MOST UP-TO-DATE STEAMERS in the SERVICE.

OPEN AIR SWIMMING POOL.

ELECTRIC LAUNDRY, BARBER SHOP, SURGEON and STEWARDESS CARRIED.

Enjoy Your Short Leave in Australia and New Zealand, Hong Kong to Sydney — 19 Days.

FIRST CLASS FARE TO SYDNEY, 7/6 RETURN

" " " " LONDON (via Australia) from £127.15

(Australian Newspapers on Sale)

TAIPING 8 May 15 May 18 May 3 June

CHANGTE 12 June 19 June 22 June 8 July

TAIPING 7 July 14 July 17 July 2 Aug.

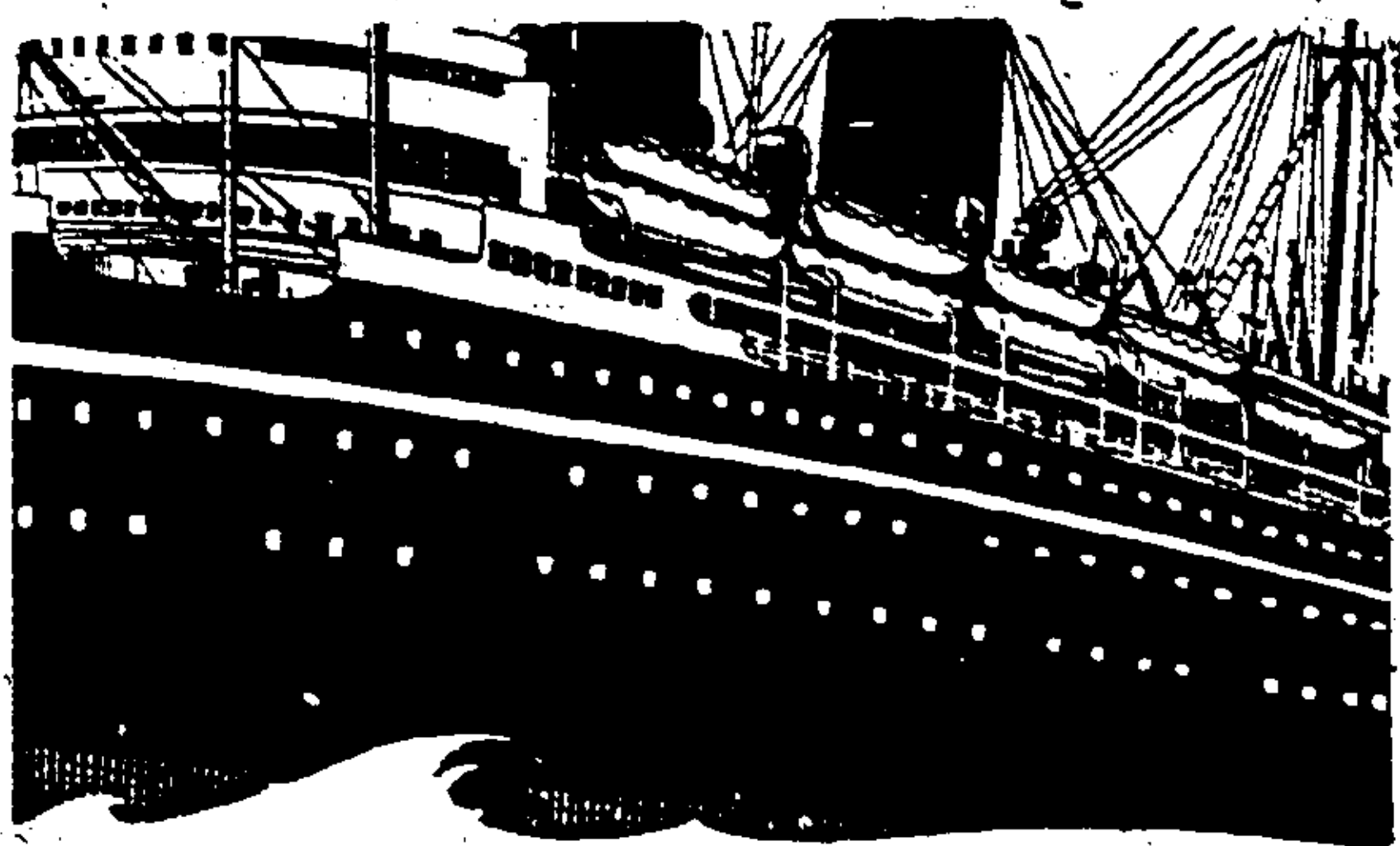
CHANGTE 11 Aug. 18 Aug. 21 Aug. 6 Sept.

AUSTRALIAN-ORIENTAL LINE, LIMITED

Sailings subject to alteration without notice.

For Freight or Passage, apply to— BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agent.

Telephone 30331. Hong Kong, China & Japan.



P&O-BRITISH INDIA-APCAR AND EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN LINES

MAIL AND PASSENGER STEAMERS
TAKING CARGO FOR

Straits, Java, Burma, Ceylon, Africa, Queensland Ports, and India, Persian Gulf, West Indies, Red Sea, Egypt, Istanbul, Mauritius, East and South Greece, Levantine Ports, Europe.

PENINSULA & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS

UNDER CONTRACT WITH H.M. GOVERNMENT
All vessels may call at any ports on or off the route—and the route and all sailings are subject to change or deviation with or without notice.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS

S.S.	Tons	From	Destination
MIRZAPUR	7,000	24th Apr.	Straits, Bombay & Karachi
BANGALORE	6,000	25th Apr.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
CARTHAGE	14,500	2nd May	Marseilles & London
CAJUTANA	17,000	15th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London
MBUTAN	6,000	23rd May	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
BEHAR	15,000	30th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London
BEHAR	6,000	6th June	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
ANPURA	17,000	13th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
SOUDAN	7,000	20th June	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
AWALPINDI	17,000	27th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
ORFU	14,500	11th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London
BURDWAN	6,000	18th July	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
LANCHI	17,000	25th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London
VALDERA	16,000	8th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
SOMALI	6,000	15th Aug.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull
KAISER-I-HIND	11,000	22nd Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
CAJUTANA	17,000	5th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
BEHAR	15,000	19th Sept.	Marseilles & London
ANPURA	17,000	3rd Oct.	Marseilles & London
AWALPINDI	17,000	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London
ORFU	14,500	31st Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
CARTHAGE	14,500	28th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London

* Cargo only. † Calls Casablanca. ‡ Calls Tangier
all vessels may call at Malta.

Frequent connection from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Istanbul, Piraeus, Smyrna and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

HIRALA	8,000	26th Apr.	Singapore, Port Swettenham
LAWA	10,000	9th May	Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta
ANTHIA	8,000	23rd May	
ALMA	10,000	6th June	
EDWANA	8,000	20th June	



Now is the time to visit
Australia & New Zealand

lands of Sunshine and Romance. "Down Under" you will feel a being and even if you are not inclined towards Surfing, Fishing, shooting or Mountaineering you will find that the Antipodes have plenty to offer you—including 25/- for your pound.

On the way down your life aboard will be as you wish, quiet or hectic for the E. & A. will humor your every whim. And by the way, there is no additional charge for Deck Cabins and there is of course a Sun Deck Swimming pool, an Orchestra and a fine band.

A Surgeon and Stewardess are at your disposal and last but not least—we had almost forgotten—the cuisine will set you listening eagerly to the gang.

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hong Kong to Shanghai and Japan and Hong Kong to Australia.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:—

The Union S.S. Co.'s Steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.

The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London and

The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via Suez.

The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS

LORE	7,000	2nd May	Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney
INDA	7,000	5th June	Melbourne & Hobart
INKIN	7,000	3rd July	

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

BEAR	6,000	25th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
NTIA	8,000	30th Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
ITRAL	15,000	30th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
INDA	7,000	10th May	Shanghai & Japan
ANPURA	17,000	14th May	Shanghai & Japan
ALMA	10,000	14th May	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
WALPINDI	17,000	28th May	Shanghai & Japan
EDWANA	8,000	28th May	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
INKIN	7,000	4th June	Shanghai & Japan

ALL DATES are approximate and subject to alteration without notice. All Cabins fitted with Electric Fans or Punka Louvre system. Steamers on London and Australian Lines are fitted with Laundries. Passengers measuring not more than 5 cu. ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon the day previous to sailing. For further information, Passage, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to the Agents:—

ACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO
8 BUILDING, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG

Phone 27721



Colonel Rafael Franco, in civilian clothes, returns to Asunción, Paraguay, to take the provisional Presidency of his country. Two weeks before this photograph was snapped Franco fled from Paraguay as a political exile. He succeeds President Eusebio Ayala.

MACAU RACES

(Continued from Page 5)

AREIA PRATA HANDICAP (Second Section)—One Mile
This will prove an interesting race. Valley View has been allotted top weight, and with 165 lbs. to carry, it may not relish running with such a heavy impost. However, I believe that this pony can win, with Classic Hall (160 lbs.), second, and Emergency Call (151 lbs.) third. Delightful Chance (157 lbs.) is capable of causing an upset, and Gold Currency (158 lbs.) should not be neglected.

JOCKEY CLUB CUP—One Mile

This race should prove the main attraction of the meeting, and, with several good ponies to pick from, it is not so easy to nominate the eventual winner. After its brilliant run recently in Hong Kong, Tiny Star (163 lbs.) will probably be made favourite, followed by Mayflower (158) and Fly-bright (161). Pride of Tsingtau is very lightly treated and I understand that Mr. Ip Kui Ying will be given the mount. In that case, a bet each way may prove profitable.

If ridden by Mr. N. Deitz Tiny Star will probably win, as this pony has had quite a few wins on the Macau track during the past two years, and its present good form is another recommendation. Miracle (153), Great Hall (158), and Mersey (161), may be the other starters, but High Speed will probably not accept on account of the heavy weight of 168 lbs.

AREIA PRATA (First Section)—One Mile

This race will provide a return battle between Boxing Eve (159) and Plain View (159). At the Easter Meeting, Boxing Eve was beaten by Plain View on the first day, but won perfectly on the second day. Lemberg (158) was quietly tipped to win a recent race at the Valley, and Glad Eyes (161) is another likely candidate.

LADIES' SPRINT—5 Furlongs

Our lady riders will have the mounts on ponies that have started to a pleasant afternoon's sport.

The Fatal Flash

(Continued from Page 10)

Venturing into the room, the detective examined the empty table. He noticed a number of faint cracks running across the glass top, and at the sight of them his eyes became hard and grim.

On a nearby bench he found a roll of adhesive tape and a pair of scissors. Strips had recently been cut from the roll.

A jar containing some clear liquid in which a sponge floated caught his eye. Dipping his finger into the jar, he touched it to the tip of his tongue. The taste was sharp and familiar.

"Salt!"
Again the detective looked at those peculiar marks across the glass table. He sucked in his lips until they were a thin line of red against the paleness of his face. He was beginning to understand.

Behind the table was an electric furnace, and two heavy, lead-covered wires led from plugs in the wall towards it. One of the wires was fastened to its terminal on the furnace, but the other, disconnected, lay on the floor.

The bare end of the wire was fastened to a small copper plate. On top of the furnace a similar one lay, with a pair of electrician's pliers near it. The plate was green on one side with a deposit of copper sulphate.

A fragment of wire on the floor held Hawke's attention for a moment. Apparently the cable which was now connected to the furnace had once been attached to the plate. The pliers had been used to cut it loose.

By every sign the professor had been busy breaking up his strange apparatus and reconnecting the cables to the furnace. The detective's arrival had disturbed him.

The switch which operated the furnace was situated near a window. The handle of vulcanite was in the "off" position.

Outside the uncurtained window the storm raged. It had worked round to that side of the house, and the flashes of lightning played very near. The centre of the storm seemed to be over the house, and the roar of the thunder was deafening.

The big window caused Hawke some uneasiness. He knew that lightning, when it does strike down at the earth, makes for the highest point. There was nothing for miles around so high as the big house.

He swung round as a sound came from behind. In the doorway Professor Prothero stood. His dark eyes were fixed with a strange fascination upon the detective.

"You have no right to be here!" he growled. "I am making experiments—secret experiments."

"Experiments which had something to do with this glass-topped table and a jar of salt?" Hawke said harshly. "An experiment which made the lights fuse?"

"What do you mean?"

"I mean, Professor Prothero, that I have found a solution to a mystery which has been puzzling me. You told me that Mervin left the house an hour ago. His macintosh was hardly wet enough for him to have been out so long. He left twenty minutes ago—and when you carried him out from this house he was a dead man!"

Hawke's hand came out of his pocket, and a formidable automatic was leveled at Prothero.

"I want you," the detective said, "for murder. You killed Mervin for the sake of an insurance policy which you had taken out on him. You killed him by—"

With a terrible cry the man sprang at him, at the same time

ed in the first and second races at this meeting and have not won. It has always been a source of pleasure to see the ladies riding, and this race should prove a fitting

ed to a pleasant afternoon's sport.

knocking up the switch of the light which was inside the door. Hawke's gun flamed, but he was blinded by that sudden darkness, and the shot went wide.

Something caught him a terrible blow on the side of the head.

It was some minutes before Hawke recovered from that blow. If he had not instinctively turned his head at the last moment the instrument which had struck him would have landed with much greater force, and he would have been unconscious for a considerable period.

Opening his eyes he stared up at the raftered ceiling. When he tried to move he found that he had been tightly bound to some flat surface. His fingers touched smooth glass.

Near the furnace stood Professor Prothero busy fastening the loose copper plate to the wire he had just removed from its terminal. The man chuckled when he noticed Hawke move.

"It was fortunate," he purred, "that I was able to turn out the light in time. Bah! but the great Dixon Hawke was certainly not very cautious! Did you think that I would go away to attend to a loose shutter with this room open to you? I merely wanted to confirm my suspicions that you knew too much."

He finished his work of attaching the plate, and then approached the prisoner. Taking the sponge from the solution of salt he carefully wiped Hawke's wrist.

"To make a better connection," he jeered. "It's usual in electrocutions!"

He clapped one of the plates to the wrist, holding it in place with strips of adhesive tape. Then he rolled up his victim's left trouser-leg and repeated the operation with the second plate.

"If you had examined Mervin closer you would have found an oblong burn on his ankle," he said. "I admit that it was the weak point in my plan, but I was sure a local Coroner would not have noticed anything strange."

He shook his fist in Hawke's face, and his voice lifted to a high-pitched scream.

"Confound you! Why had you to appear on this night of all nights? For months I have waited for such a storm as this, that I could put my scheme into operation. That young fool allowed me to insure him for twenty thousand pounds, and the money would have been mine—mine—if you had not interfered!"

Hawke looked at the man coolly. "The devil's own plan," he said. "You electrocuted Mervin and then carried out his body and left by that shattered tree so that it would appear he had been struck."

"And even you would not have been suspicious if the fool hadn't worn rubber soles!" yelled the murderer.

"A serious oversight on your part, professor."

Hawke was desperately playing for time. He knew that Tommy was due back from the town, and the young fellow would doubtless bring a police officer with him.

"Another weak point," he went on with a calmness he did not feel, "was that the current, when it flashed through Mervin, left stress marks across the glass of this table. Naturally you had to place him on an insulated bed to kill him, but you should have found some way to avoid leaving such evidence of your crime."

"You didn't give me time enough," grumbled Prothero. "True. You didn't have time to put in a new fuse. I was suspicious of you the moment I found the lights out."

A sudden clamour from the hall caused Hawke's heart to beat more rapidly. The door bell was ringing. His play for time had succeeded, and Tommy was outside. Again the bell rang, and he heard a hammering on the door.

Prothero, too, had heard. With a most fiendish expression on his face he moved to the switch by the window.

"So you were waiting for that!" he sneered. "Nobody can save you, Hawke. It will take an hour to batter that door down, and by that time you'll be dead and I shall be miles away. There's a secret way out of this house which I can take after the execution!"

Trembling with a fresh outburst of rage, he spat at his helpless prisoner.

The bell was clamouring again, but sudden peals of thunder drowned the sound. The great window of the laboratory blazed with light. The storm was roaring at the height of its fury.

Hawke saw the bearded face of his executioner silhouetted against the lightning. He saw the man's

PRESIDENT LINERS are LUXURY LINERS

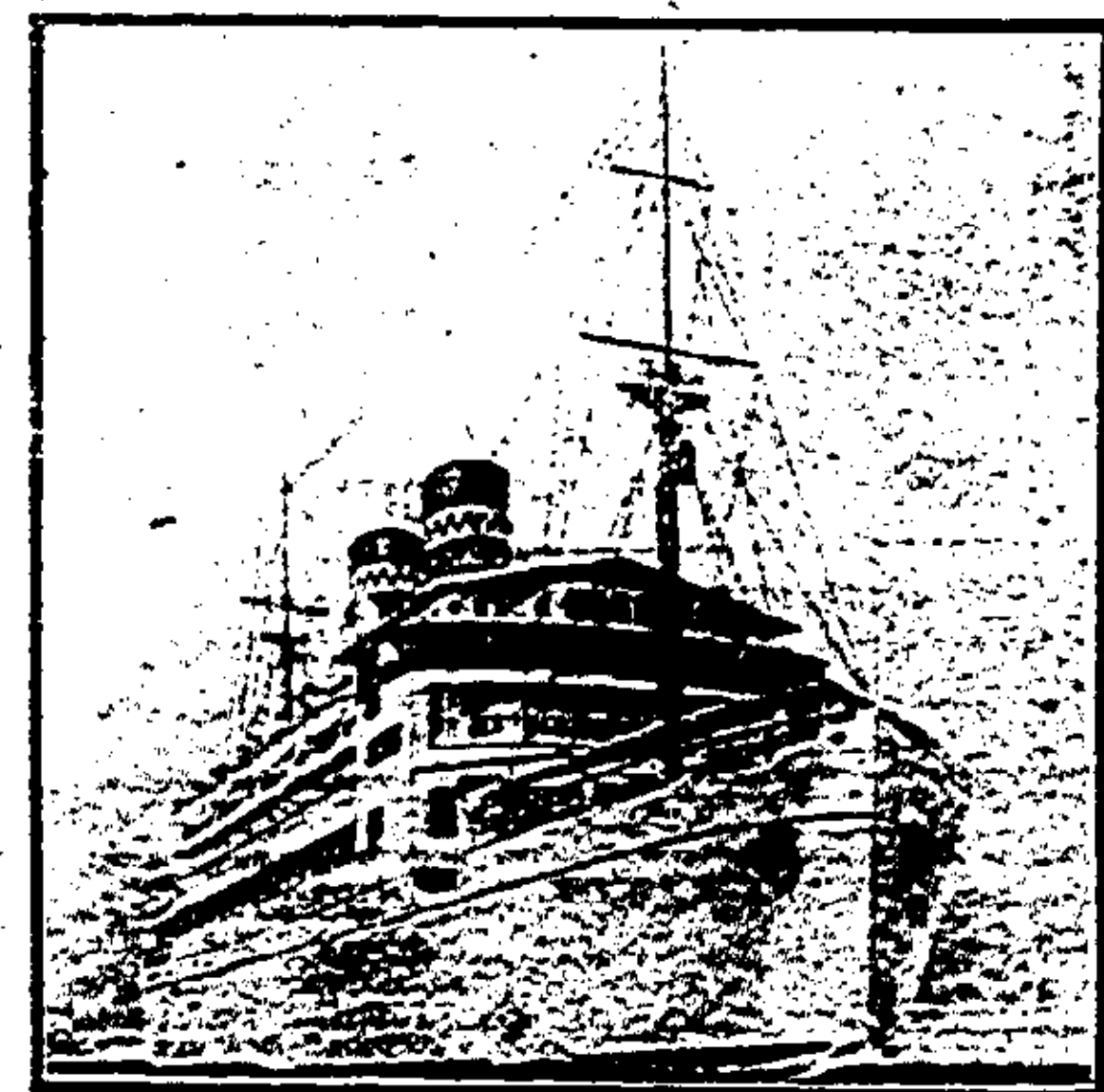
Fast and Smooth Riding

TO SAN FRANCISCO LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK, Via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu	TO SEATTLE, VICTORIA Via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama
Pres. Cleveland 8 a.m., May 5	Pres. Grant Midnight Apr. 24
Pres. Coolidge 8 a.m., May 16	Pres. Jefferson " May 8
Pres. Taft 8 a.m., June 3	Pres. Jackson " May 22
Pres. Hoover 8 a.m., June 13	Pres. McKinley " June 5
Pres. Pierce 8 a.m., July 1	Pres. Grant " June 19

EUROPE, NEW YORK, Via Mandla, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Suez, Port Said, Naples, Genoa and Marseilles	TO MANILA THE MOST FREQUENT SERVICE NEXT SAILING
Pres. Wilson 8.00 a.m., Apr. 25	Pres. Wilson 8.00 a.m., Apr. 25
Pres. Monroe " May 9	Pres. Cleveland 6.00 p.m., Apr. 28
Pres. Van Buren " May 23	Pres. Jefferson 6.00 p.m., May 7
Pres. Garfield " June 6	Pres. Coolidge 9.00 p.m., May 7
Pres. Polk " June 20	Pres. Monroe 8.00 a.m., May 9

DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES AMERICAN MAIL LINE

BURNS PHILP LINE M.V. "NEPTUNA"



PASSENGER & FREIGHT SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA

Next Sailing 2nd May

for Saigon, Manila, Sandakan, Salamana, Rabaul, Sydney & Melbourne

First Class Fare to Sydney:
Single: £47.10.0d. Return: £76.

Passenger & Freight Agents:—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.

P. & O. Building

Joint Passengers Agents:—

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

King's Building.

BARBER-WILHELMSSEN LINE MONTHLY SERVICE

TO
Pacific PANAMA Atlantic
SAN FRANCISCO BALBOA (Panama) NEW YORK
LOS ANGELES CRISTOBAL (Colon) BOSTON

NEXT SAILING

M.V. "TAI YANG"

ON
23rd APRIL

EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION
FOR 12 PASSENGERS

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

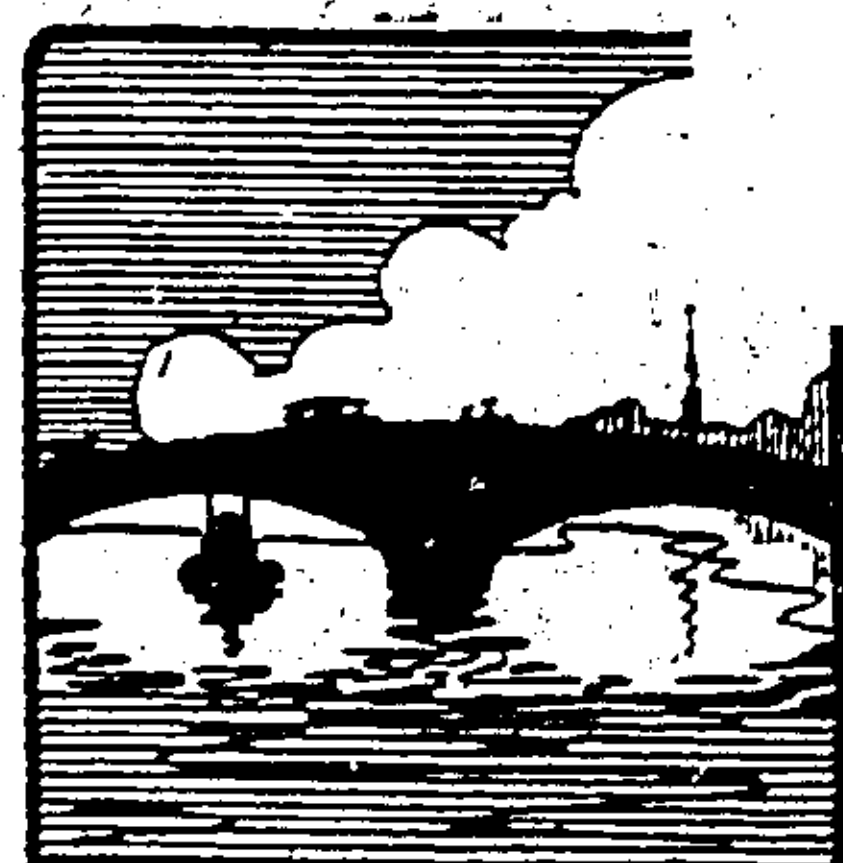
AGENTS

Hong Kong Bank Building.

Telephone 23021

K. M. A. CERAMIC & REFRACTORY PRODUCTS

CLINER,
PAVING,
BUILDING
& FIRE
BRICKS.



STONE-
WARE
PIPES &
GLAZED
TILES.

Ask for our Illustrated Catalogue—Compare our Prices
and inspect our wide Range of Samples

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION
DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents, Hong Kong.

hand go out to the vulcanite switch. He closed his eyes.
A light of fearful intensity struck through the closed lids with the force of a physical blow. A smell of sulphur and ozone filled the air, and there was a crash as if the house was falling down.
Opening his eyes, the criminologist saw the glass of the great window fuse. A bolt of blue flame licked into the room, striking the man by the switch. He stood there for a second glowing from head to foot while the terrible discharge passed through his body to the ground.
Then he fell in a crumpled heap, and a triumphant roar of thunder rang through the house.
Lightning had struck the window, and, being unable to find any ground in that non-conducting substance, had sprung to the next object in its path—which happened to be Professor Prothero.
Awd by what had happened, Hawke lay there watching the storm die away in the distance. Heavy blows from the front of the house told him that Tommy and the police were breaking down the door.
"The Judgment of God!" the criminologist whispered.
(THE END)
Another adventure of Dixon Hawke will appear to-morrow.

QUELLO

GRAND OPENING TO-DAY

NOTE THE SPECIAL TIMES—2.30, 5.05, 7.20 & 9.30.

Sensation after sensation packed by Warner Bros. into this filming of Rafael Sabatini's world-famed romance.

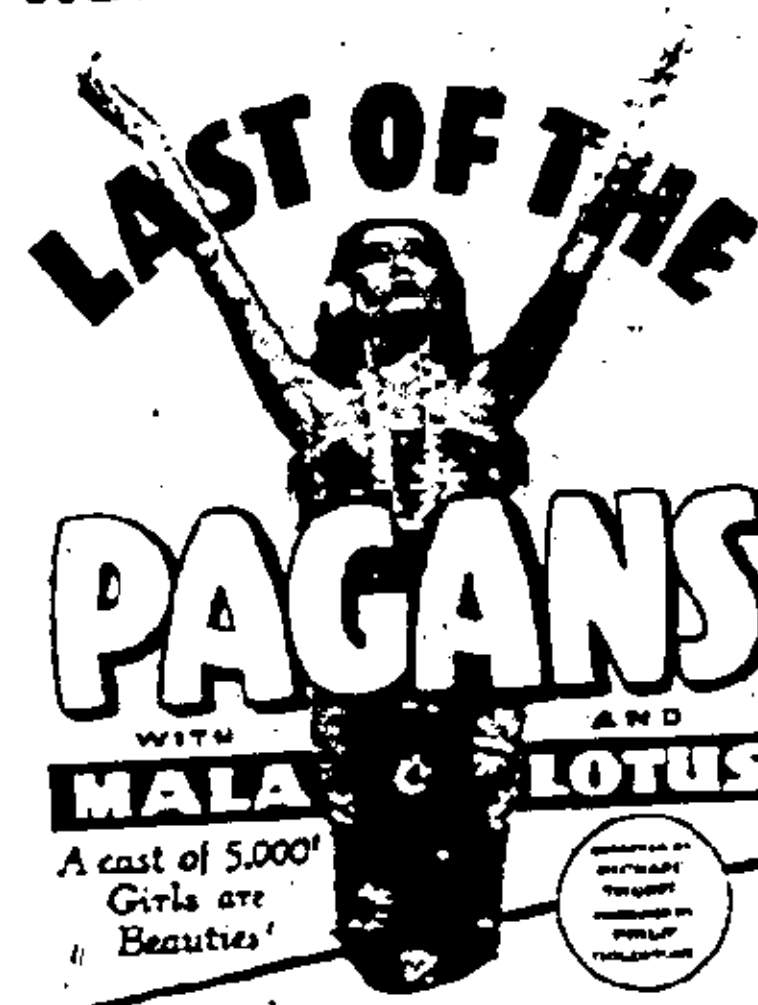


SLASHING ITS WAY TO SENSATIONAL NEW RECORDS:
CAPTAIN BLOOD
WITH ERROL FLYNN
OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND
LIONEL ATWILL - BASIL RATHBONE

Note:—The management will not be responsible for reservations not taken up 10 minutes before the show starts.

SHOWING **KINGS** AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.
TO-DAY
THREE ATTRACTIONS IN ONE PROGRAMME

M-G-M's \$1,000,000
Adventure Romance:



• ALSO •
"AUDIOSCOPIKS"

The Biggest Novelty Since Talks!

PRESENTED FOR THE FIRST TIME ON THE SCREEN EXPLANATORY REMARKS BY PETE SMITH
RED AND GREEN GLASSES SUPPLIED TO EVERY PATRON

• AND •
LAUREL & HARDY
In Their Latest Comedy
"LIVE GHOSTS"

Next Change R.K.O. Radio "THE LAST DAYS OF POMPEII"

4 SHOWS DAILY 2.30-5.10-7.15-9.30
ORIENTAL
THEATRE
FLEMING ROAD, KOWLOON, TEL. 28477

LAST 4 TIMES TO-DAY

SHE DUG UP A SENSATIONAL STORY THAT WAS TOO HOT FOR PUBLICATION!
A SHOW OF THRILLING ACTION!

Bette's Biggest Hit Is Coming!

FRONT PAGE WOMAN
WARNER BROS. PRESENTING
BETTE DAVIS - GEORGE BRENT

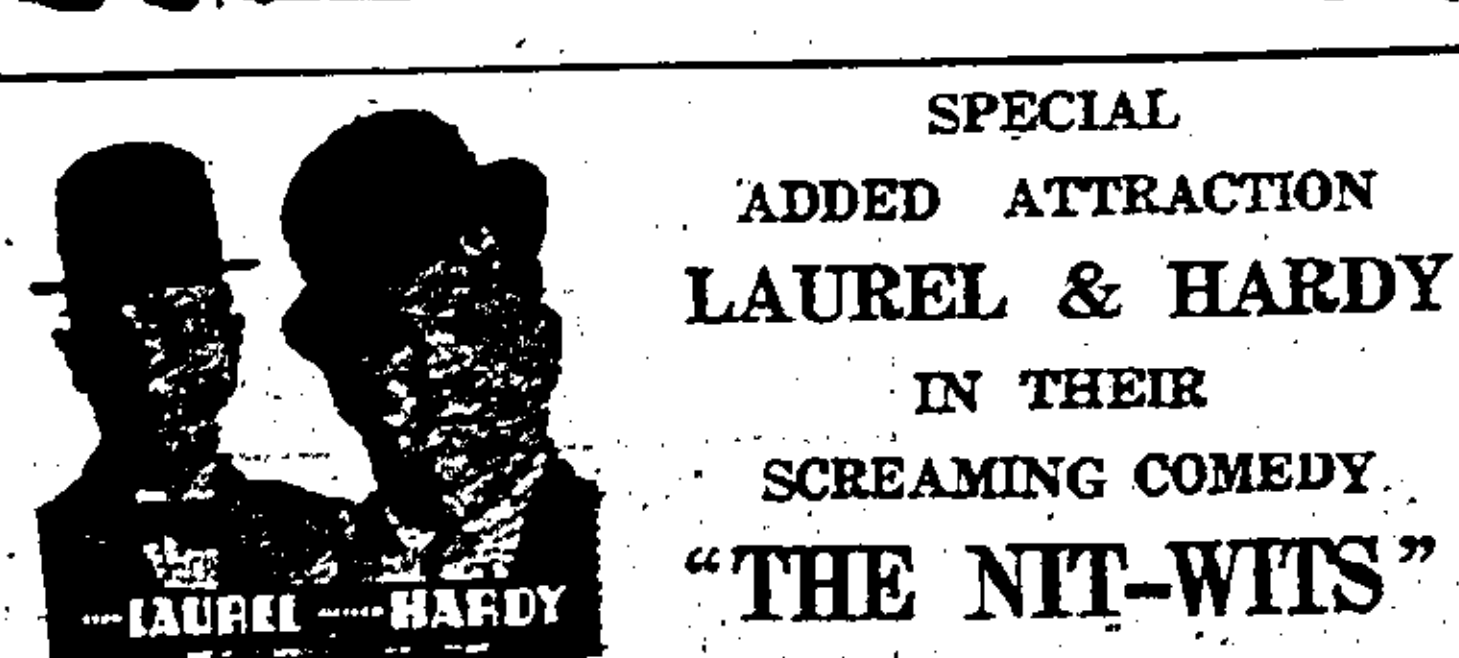


2 DAYS ONLY TO-MORROW & SATURDAY

ACE COMEDY STARS
SPARKLING! THRILLING! HILARIOUS!
with song . . . with romance . . . with laughter.
ALL ROLLED INTO ONE SWELL SHOW!

HERE COMES BAND

TED LEWIS and His Orchestra
VIRGINIA BRUCE • TED HEALY
NAT PENDLETON • HARRY STOCKWELL
DONALD COOK • SPANKY McFARLAND



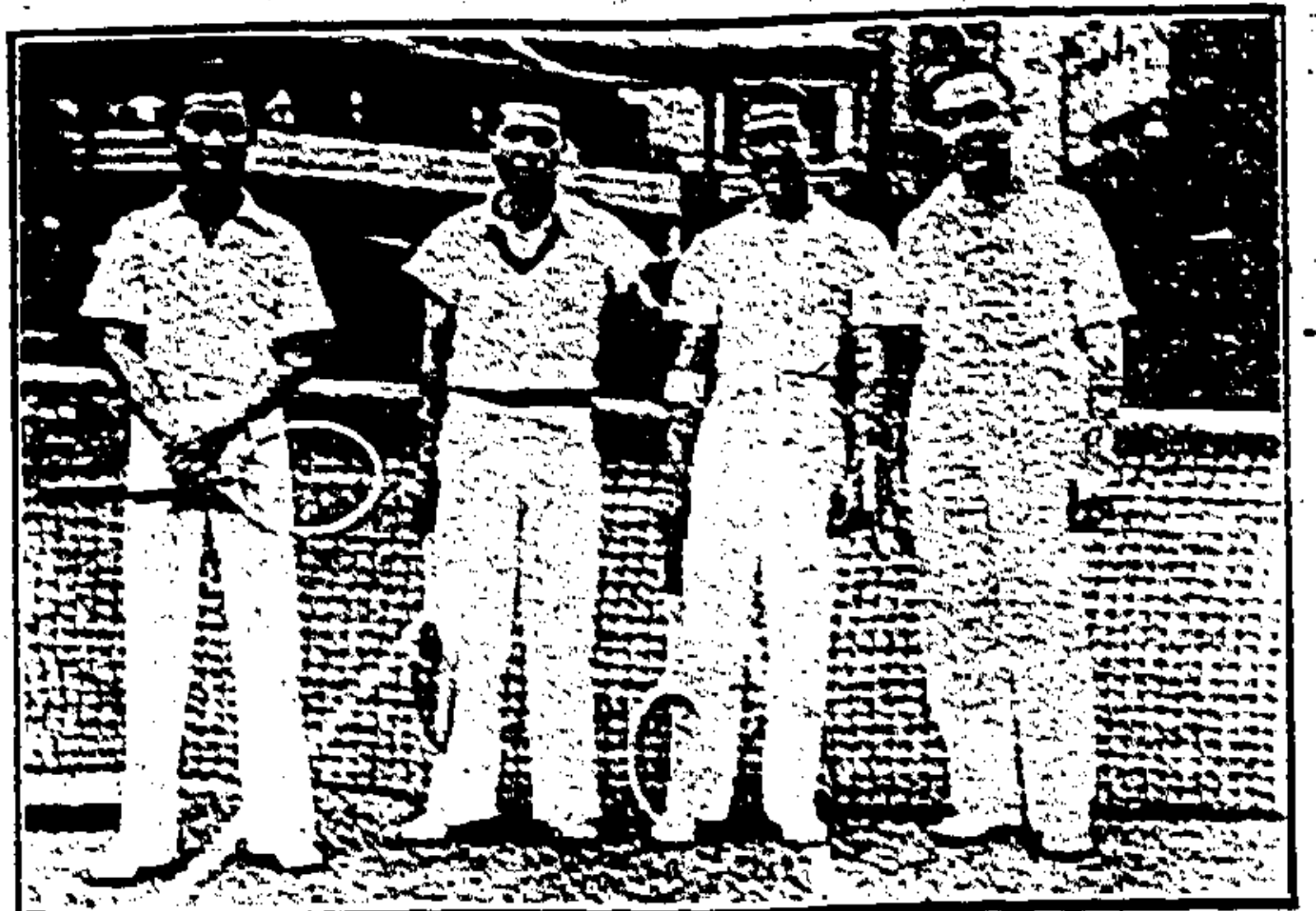
SPECIAL
ADDED ATTRACTION
LAUREL & HARDY
IN THEIR
SCREAMING COMEDY
"THE NIT-WITS"

MATINEES: 20c.-30c. EVENINGS: 20c.-30c.-50c.-70c.

IF YOU ARE TOO BUSY TO WRITE HOME — DON'T.
Just Post a Copy of the

Oberland China Mail
which gives all the News there IS —
Both Local and Coastal

LOCAL TENNIS TITLISTS



Tsui Yan-pui, Tsui Wai-pui, the 1936 Singles champion, W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher photographed before the start of the Open Lawn Tennis Doubles Championship Final at the H.K.C.C. yesterday. The Tsui brothers won after five sets. ("China Mail" photo).

DWELLINGS, NOT GUNS

Birthday Present For Herr Hitler

SAAR REGION OFFER

Berlin, To-day.
"Working men's dwellings instead of guns" is the slogan under which a birthday present has been offered to Herr Hitler by the recently united regions of the Saar and the Palatinate, whose regional leader, Herr Buerckel, has informed the Chancellor by telegraph that the inhabitants originally planned to make him a birthday gift of an anti-aircraft battery in honour of the remilitarisation of the Rhineland.
"But our confidence," the telegram proceeds, "that the world will finally be convinced of the sincere will to peace manifested by you and our conviction that in this case you will be only too glad to substitute social reconstruction for armaments have decided us not to present you with guns but with the sum of 500,000 marks. I would refer you thereby to your speech at Karlsruhe, in which you stated that you would consider it more useful to build working men's dwellings than guns. May our birthday present serve this peaceful aim." — Trans-Ocean Service.

CHILD SOLD FOR \$27

Three Defendants Sentenced

SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT FOR GO-BETWEEN

"The selling and buying of children is definitely forbidden by law," said Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning when Pun Lim, aged 38, unemployed, Chan Kam, aged 29, a prostitute, and Chan On, an odd job stone-breaker, were charged before him with taking part in the transaction of an unnamed baby boy, then five days old, on December 10 at No. 1 Shan Ping Lane.

The first two defendants were sentenced to three months' hard labour while the third, who acted as a go-between, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.
Inspector K. Andrews said that the first defendant was an unemployed tailor who has been out of work for seven months. On December 5, his wife gave birth to a boy and five days later he sold the infant for \$27 to the second defendant, through the third defendant, who acted as a go-between and who received \$2 as lucky money.

WELL CARED FOR
The child was found by Inspector Andrews as the second defendant was trying to leave her house with the child. The house was used partly as a brothel and partly as a divan. The infant had been well cared for.

It appeared that the father had been in arrears with his rent and when pressed for payment decided to sell his child. The mother knew of this business and actually handed the child over to the second defendant, but as she was in very poor health the police did not take any action against her.

Inspector Andrews concluded by saying that he always held the go-betweens in these cases more to blame, and in his opinion they were the same as receivers of stolen property or fences.



H. D. Rumjahn and his conqueror Tsui Wai-pui, photographed before the Final of the Open Singles last Monday. ("China Mail" photo).

IRISH TRIUMPH IN CITY AND SUBURBAN

EASIEST WIN ON RECORD

London, To-day.
The result of the City and Suburban, which was run yesterday over 1 1/4 miles, was as follows:—
His Reverence (Burns) 100 to 7.
Guinea Gap (Sam Wragg) 100 to 8.
Rippon Tor (Fred Fox) 9 to 2.

There were 18 starters. His Reverence winning by three lengths and only one length separating the second and third horses.
The City and Suburban was an Irish triumph. The Irish horse, His Reverence, owned jointly by its trainer, the Hon. Mr. Wellesley, and Mr. G. F. Annesley, both Irishmen, gained one of the easiest victories in the history of the race.

SUNDERLAND BEATEN

Wednesday Fail At Birmingham

London, To-day.
The following were the results of League football matches played yesterday:—

FIRST DIVISION	
Leeds	3 Sunderland
Birmingham	4 Wednesday
Chelsea	1 Portsmouth
SECOND DIVISION	
Blackpool	6 Newcastle
THIRD DIVISION (South)	
Bournemouth	2 Watford
Gillingham	2 Queen's P. R.
Southend	0 Northampton
THIRD DIVISION (North)	
York	2 Tranmere
Accrington	1 Botherham
Chester	4 Lincoln
SCOTTISH LEAGUE	
Hearts	1 Rangers
Motherwell	2 Dunfermline

—Reuter.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

Scottish Amateurs Triumph

Belfast, To-day.
The amateur international soccer match between Ireland and Scotland, which was played here yesterday, resulted in a win for the latter by 5 goals to 3.—Reuter.
The match between those two countries last year was played at Glasgow, where Ireland won by the odd goal in five.

LORD LANSDOWNE'S ESTATE

London, To-day.—The estate of Lord Lansdowne, who succeeded his father in 1927 and who died last March at the age of 64, has been proved at £1,404,132, with net personality of £1,211,282.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY ONLY **MAJESTIC** THEATRE At 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.



FRIDAY

DICK POWELL
RUBY KEELER

IN

"SHIPMATES FOREVER"

ALHAMBRA

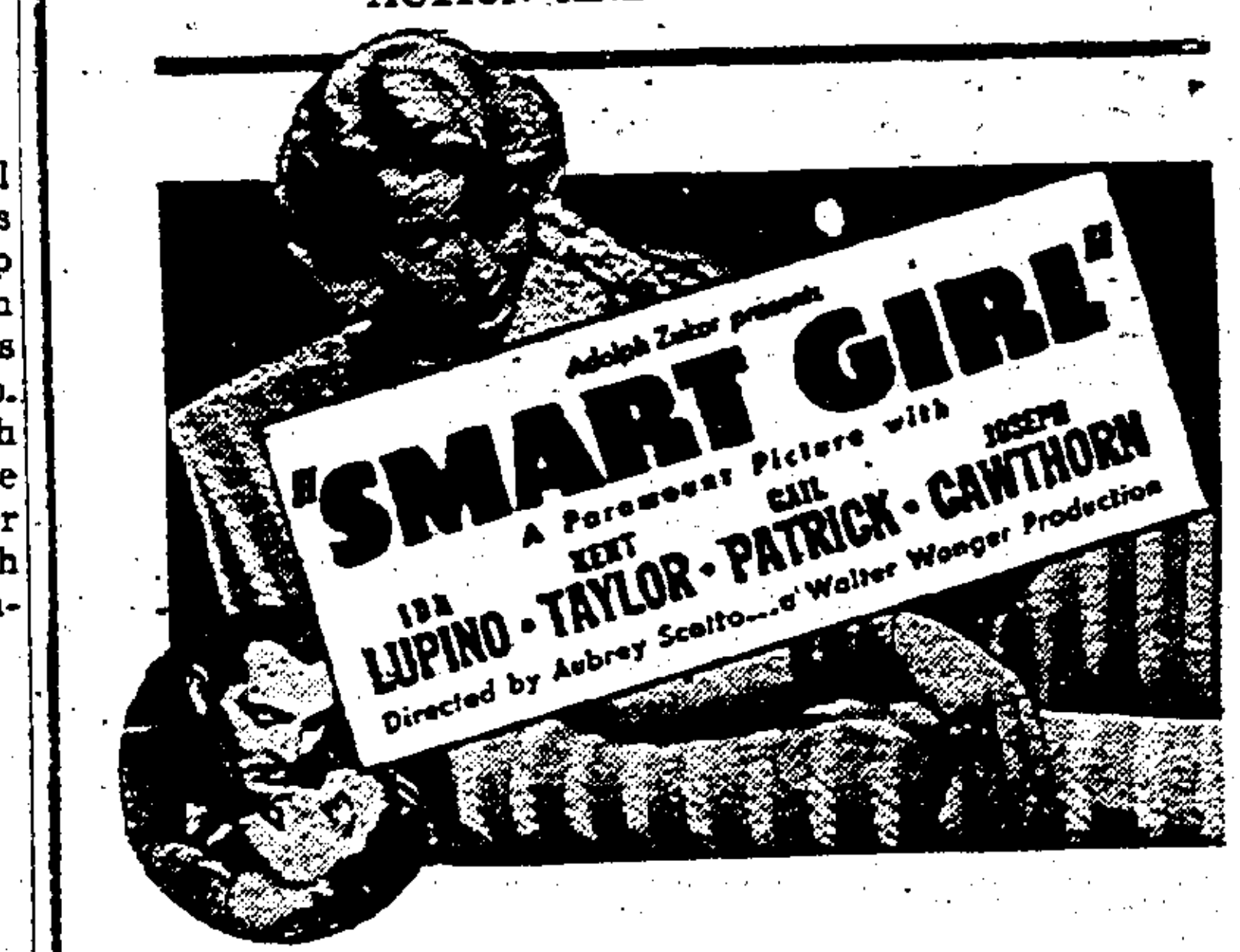
SHOWING TO-DAY
AN AUTHENTIC SPECTACULAR AND PULSE-STIRRING ATMOSPHERE OF BIG TIME OUTDOOR SHOW LIFE!



The red romance of Buffalo Bill's sharpshooting star.
She blazed a trail of conquest from the backwoods to the court of kings!
with
PRESTON FOSTER
MELVYN DOUGLAS
Moroni Olsen • Pert Kelton • Andy Clyde
NEXT CHANGE
JANE (GINGER) WITHERS in "GENTLE JULIA"
20th CENTURY FOX PICTURE.

4 SHOWS DAILY
at 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

TO-DAY ONLY
A GAY ROMANTIC COMEDY FULL OF ACTION AND LAUGHTER!



TO-MORROW
KATHARINE HEPBURN
IN BOOTH TARKINGTON'S DRAMA OF HEARTBREAK AND TRIUMPH!!!
"ALICE ADAMS"
AN RKO RADIO PICTURE

CENTRAL

QUEEN'S RD. CENTRAL: CAR PARK—JERVOIS STREET
Take Bus No. 4 or 5 going west, 3 min. from stop opposite Queen's

TO-DAY ONLY
LAST 4 SHOWS at 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.



AT THE MOST POPULAR PRICES
Matinees: 50c., 30c., 20c.; Evenings: 55c., 40c., 30c.
Servicemen: 30 cts. to Dress Circle.

Printed and Published for the Proprietors, The Newspaper Enterprise by DAVID CHRISTIAN WILSON, Manager, at 3A Wyndham St. Victoria, Hong Kong.